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even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day,
for darkness is as light to you.

Psalm 139:12 NRSV



Dear Colleagues and Friends,

January and February are a dark time; between the lights of Christmas and spring.

The above is scripture dear to me. I'm a Quaker, and the first passage of our Advices and Queries reads -

Take heed, dear Friends, to the promptings of love and truth in your hearts. Trust them as the leadings of God whose Light shows us our darkness and brings us to new life.

This sums up many things for me. The promptings of our hearts, in love and truth, being the movement of the Holy Spirit, and the leadings of God. Our darkness is revealed - but new life is found. Our chosen Light, as Christians, is Jesus -

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.'

John 8:12

NRSV

When my darkness is revealed, I remember that Jesus just existed - that God came to earth, as a tiny vulnerable baby born low in a stable. Just remembering the incarnation of God, amongst us, bringing new light - that helps.

As February moves on, and spring comes, take time to notice the new light and life around you.

from Ellen Cross, DBE
Administrator





Upcoming LDBE Courses—

For more information—click the links below!

08-02-23	10.00-15.30	Headteacher Development Day 2	Face to face—click here for more information
09-02-23	10.00-12.00	IDSR (repeat of December)	Online—click here for more information
09-02-23	16.00-18.00	Strategic Vision for Governors	Online—click here for more information
22-02-23	16.00-18.00	Developing Knowledge in the Curriculum: RE - Hindu Worldviews (Substantive)	Online—click here for more information
23-02-23	16.00-18.00	Developing Inclusion Through the Vision for Education: Curriculum	Online—click here for more information

SIAMS Inspectors

The application window for new SIAMS inspectors is open until 31 March. If there are any school leaders that would like to apply to become an inspector, please let us know—education@lincoln.anglican.org. All relevant documents can be found on the [SIAMS website](#).



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Headteacher, Senior Leader, Chair of
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'There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.' Galatians 3:28

All One: Radically Inclusive

We are delighted to invite you to our Annual Headteacher, Senior Leaders, Chair of Governors and Clergy Conference – All One: Radically Inclusive.

We can announce our keynote speakers, that will each look at the theme from their own specialism on the day. The **Rt Rev Stephen Conway**, Acting Bishop of Lincoln, having first trained as a teacher as well as previously chairing the Council of the National Society Council which supports the church's work in schools and further and higher education, brings a wealth of experience to our conference. He will be inspiring and challenging us at the start of our day.

Lorraine Prince is the Head of Networks for The Church of England Education Office. She facilitates CPD and networks focusing on EDI, SEND, Trauma and Teaching and Learning. She previously was a teacher for twenty-five years in UK and US; having studied in London and New York. She co-leads the BAMEed Eastern region network, a grassroots network that ensures our diverse communities are represented as a substantive part of the education workforce for teachers and educational leaders

Alan Watkinson former teacher of **Mo Farrah** will also be joining us. Alan taught PE and History for 17 years in secondary schools. During this time, he was also a Head of Year and a Gifted and Talented Coordinator. He became Partnership Development Manager of Isleworth and Syon's School Sport Partnership (I and S SSP) in 2007. I and S SSP evolved into Sport Impact in 2011 and he has led the organisation throughout. You may know Alan as the teacher from the Mo Farrah documentary as he was the teacher that mentored Mo Farah through some very difficult times. If you have not seen the documentary we would highly recommend it. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001977f>

Prof. Trevor Cooling will be joining us for our afternoon session. Trevor is an Emeritus Professor of Canterbury Christ Church University. His role is to lead on research and knowledge exchange in Christian Education. His background is in secondary teaching, where he started his career as a biology teacher and then moved into RE teaching having taken two years out to study for a theology qualification. On the day Trevor will spend time exploring what it means in practice to develop a theologically grounded vision which is both deeply Christian and serves the common good.

Details

Date: Wednesday 29th March 2023

Time: 10:00am – 3:30pm (refreshments from 9:30am)

Venue: The Showroom, Tritton Rd, Lincoln, LN6 7PQ

Cost: Staff £180 (non SLA £285)

Governors £140 (non SLA £220)

Clergy £75

To book please use the following link <https://www.lincolndioCESaneducation.com/calendar/?calid=1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10&pid=9&viewid=1&event=301>