

PLYMOUTH CAST NEWSLETTER – 14th June 2017

Dear Heads, Governors, Staff and Volunteers,

Welcome to the Plymouth CAST fortnightly newsletter. In this edition the focus will be

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1. **Message from Kate Griffin, Interim CEO**

Dear All,

I'm delighted to be able to tell you that following the interviews for the post of Head of School Improvement Louise Adams was offered the post and she has accepted. She will start working for CAST on 1st August. Some of you have met Louise before and I am sure that those who have will agree that we are very fortunate to have secured her services. She is currently an HMI and previously was a head teacher at a Catholic primary school in Wokingham, Berkshire.

I'm very grateful to Neil Maslen who has agreed to be the Safeguarding Officer for the Trust. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Maria Edwards, a member of our board, who did so much to drive this aspect of our work forward following last year's review.

Please look at items 3 and 4 of this newsletter very carefully, although we've made great progress in this area we can't afford to slacken our efforts.

2. **School Successes**

The Cathedral School of St Mary, Plymouth

The School choir take stage at the city wide Unity Festival, a multi faith festival which draws together children and adults from a wide range of backgrounds, to offer welcome and support to all. The choir also sang on Plymouth Hoe, during their half term break, before the Lord Mayor and other dignitaries. Their invitation was as a result of the great reputation we already have in performing across the city.



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School, Barnstaple



North Devon election candidates grilled by pupils from Our Lady's, Barnstaple.

Link below to the newspaper article where Year 2 pupils quizzed all of the local candidates for MP in North Devon.

<http://www.northdevongazette.co.uk/news/election/watch-north-devon-election-candidates-grilled-by-six-and-seven-year-olds-1-5041195>

3. Safeguarding

On Wednesday 5th July there is a safeguarding consultation day being held at St Boniface House for designated safeguarding leads. This is an opportunity to share the Trust's safeguarding strategy, what the Trust's responsibilities are for safeguarding in our schools and share the findings of the Trust's safeguarding review. If your DSL has not yet booked their place, please use this link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-consultation-day-registration-34746019279>

Interested in receiving free Safeguarding training? Please support Safeguarding in the Diocese. You can register to access [free online EDUCARE Safeguarding training](#) by emailing safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk with your name, school and role.

Once registered you will have instant access to all seven modules of the E-Learning programme and print out your own Certificates of completion.

4. Single Central Record

A MAT notice (No. 2017-10) on staffing and the single central record will be sent out on Monday 19th June and available on the CAST website, please can you ensure this is forwarded to the relevant members of staff in schools.

5. Counter-terrorism support information

A large number of schools and colleges have been affected, directly and indirectly, by the tragic events that took place at the Manchester Arena on the 22 May. We have been working with many through local authorities and the Regional Schools Commissioners directly. Nevertheless, we want to continue to ensure that all schools and colleges are aware of the wide range of support available from local authorities, health services and third sector providers, to help them in supporting their pupils, staff, and wider communities including families. Young people and staff may also have questions or may want to speak to someone following the most recent incident in London on the 3 June. The link below sets out the range of support services available – both to people in Manchester specifically and more widely across the country – and where they can be accessed, including information on mental health support, practical advice on issues such as disruption to public examinations, and resources to help discussions with young people about these issues.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/manchester-attack-may-2017-support-for-people-affected>

6. Event Dates

- 15 June Strategic Importance of Governors – West Area – St John’s School, Camborne
- 16 June Schools Summit Meeting – All Head Teachers and Chairs of Governors – Exeter Racecourse from 10am to 4pm.
- 20 June Governor Support Programme – Strategic Management – West Area – Lanhydrock Hotel
- 21 June Primary RE Leaders Meeting – East Area – George Albert Hotel, Dorchester
- 21 June Governor Support Programme – Strategic Management – Central Area – Exeter Racecourse
- 22 June Governor Support Programme – Strategic Management – East Area – Kingston Maurward College
- 27 June Admin Network Meeting – West Area – Lanhydrock Country Club, Bodmin
- 5 July Safeguarding Consultation Day for School DSL – St Boniface House, Ashburton
- 11 July Achieving Excellence in a Catholic School – Head Teachers All Areas – St Boniface House, Ashburton

All above events are now on our website calendar with live booking links

<http://www.plymouthcast.org.uk/web/calendar/273068>

- 19 July CAST Board Meeting

7. Date of Next Newsletter: 28th June 2017



Kate Griffin
Interim Chief Executive Officers

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Ofsted Inspections since October 2016

East

St Catherine's, Bridport	Requires Improvement
St Joseph's, Poole	Good
St Mary's, Dorchester	Good
St Augustine's, Weymouth	Good
St Mary's, Poole	Requires Improvement
St Mary's Marnhull	Good
St Mary's Axminster	Requires Improvement
Christ the King	Waiting Publication

Central

Our Lady & St Patrick's, Teignmouth	Good
St Mary's, Buckfast	Good
St Joseph's, Exmouth	Requires Improvement
Priory, Torquay	Special Measures
Queensway, Torquay	Special Measures
Our Lady's, Barnstaple	Requires Improvement
St Margaret Clitherow, Brixham	Special Measures
Sacred Heart, Paignton	Good
St John's, Tiverton	Requires Improvement
St John's, Dartmouth	Good

West

Notre Dame, Plymouth	Requires Improvement
St Joseph's, Plymouth	Good
St John's, Camborne	Good
Keyham Barton, Plymouth	Requires Improvement
St Mary's, Penzance	Special Measures
St Mary's, Bodmin	Requires Improvement
St Peter's, Plymouth	Good
Cathedral, Plymouth	Good
St Paul's, Plymouth	Good
St Boniface College, Plymouth	Waiting Publication