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Events this week

School Visits

TUPE Work Place Meetings

All Saints Monday 13th June 3pm St Mary's – Tuesday 14th June 5pm St Ann's – Wednesday 15th June 3:30pm St Alban's – Thursday 16th June 3:45pm St Catherine's - Thursday 16th June 5pm

School Business Managers' 'On-boarding' - Thursday 16th June

Adnan has sent invitations to School Business Managers

St Clare Heads' Forum - Tue 14th June

This meeting will follow on directly from families of schools' meeting, Tue 14th June at the Pastoral Centre

St Clare Chairs' Forum - Wed 15th June 6-8pm Pastoral Centre

Upcoming Events

School Visits

St Thomas More - Monday 20th June 1pm St Theresa's - Tuesday 21st June 9:30am

TUPE Work Place Meetings

St Thomas of Canterbury – Monday 20th June 3:30pm St Marie's – Tuesday 21st June 4pm St Wilfrid's – Thursday 23rd June 3:30pm

School Business Managers' 'On-boarding' – Thurs $23^{\rm rd}$ June

Actions from this Bulletin

Please ask your chair of governors to let Anita Bray know if they will be attending the Chairs' Forum at the Pastoral Centre 6pm on Wed 15th June – We need to have an idea of numbers to set out the room and plan refreshments

Let Steve or Anita know if you have any Ukranian refugees starting with you – see item from Frank in the Notices section

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New Updates (since last bulletin)

Heads' Forum - Tue 14th June

As noted last week, the Heads' Forum will focus on school improvement planning. In particular I will share plans for how we will share self-evaluation and how we can develop that over the coming year.

I will set that in the context of some feedback from the responses to the discussion paper and an overview of next steps. I am keen through the forum to get your input into shaping those next steps.

A lot of the focus will be on building on what we have already and turning that into a more formal structure, while beginning to add the new elements that we want as a CMAT. Through all of that, a key strand is about building relationships, community and knowledge of one another.

However, where we do need to get on with building capacity across the CMAT, there may be priorities for collaborative school improvement next year. There is already a long list of common issues through school visits added to collaborative work that has been going on in the past. I want to ensure I have a clear steer on priorities for improvement work that we will do together as a CMAT. I think the following questions are key in this:

- 1. What is there that we can do as a trust that we're finding it hard to do as individual schools?
- 2. Of those things, what is most important next year?
- 3. Is it achievable given capacity and given other priorities we have in each of our schools?

Chairs' Forum - Wednesday 15th June 6-8pm at the Pastoral Centre

The chairs' forum will focus on some of the practicalities of how governance will work as we move into the CMAT. There will be some information shared and opportunities for ideas, questions and discussion throughout.

Chairs have all been invited and clerks are also very welcome if they wish to attend. I would just ask that you let Anita know as soon as possible if anyone is attending from your school so that we have advance notice of numbers to help with preparation of the room and resources.

The agenda has been sent to chairs and I have included it below for your information.

- 1. Welcome and introductions
- 2. Scheme of delegation and the role of local academy committees
- 3. Role of the Chairs' Forum
- 4. Support from Learn Sheffield
- 5. Governance schedule and key dates
- 6. Director Recruitment
- 7. Agree next steps

Adnan's work with School Business Managers

Please note that these meetings have now moved to a regular Thursday slot, in response to requests from Business Managers, some of whom don't work on a Friday. The attached planner has been updated to reflect this.

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Items copied from previous weeks' bulletins for reference

Notices from Hallam Teaching School Alliance

Notice from St John Fisher

Have you got any Ukranian refugees coming to your school? If so, it could be helpful to get together to share how you are supporting them and how you are overcoming any challenges involved. Please let Steve or Anita know and they will get in touch about getting people together.

SCITT reaccreditation

Congratulations to everyone involved with The Sheffield SCITT. As you may know, they have successfully gained accreditation to continue awarding ITT from September 2024. This is a huge endorsement of the work that they do given that only 1/3 of ITT providers were successful in their applications. Thank you to everyone involved with the application.

Early Career Teachers

If you have not already done so, please could complete the form at this <u>LINK</u> so that we can make sure we have registered all ECT1s and ECT2s onto the Ambition Early Career programme for September.

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06/06/2022	St Clare's directors' meeting 7th June Finance system working group; 9th June On-boarding guidance & training; Finance and HR; 9th June	TUPE work place meetings – St Clare rep will be in attendance Steve visiting schools to discuss priorities and pick up any other immediate issues or concerns – Anita Bray will be in touch to arrange mutually convenient times Business Managers (& other staff as appropriate): • Attending the finance system working group – 9th June • Attending 'on-boarding' guidance and training session.
	Heads' Forum - 14 th June - following directly from the families of schools meeting Advisory Board; Wed 15 th June Chairs' Forum; Wed 15 th June	TUPE work place meetings – St Clare rep will be in attendance Business Managers (& other staff as appropriate) attending 'on-boarding' guidance and training session. Steve visiting schools to discuss priorities and pick up any other immediate issues or concerns – Anita Bray will be in touch to arrange mutually convenient times Heads' Forum Tue 14 th June; Discuss and agree priority networks (E.g. SEND, DSL, Pastoral, Curriculum); propose immediate trust wide school improvement priorities based on school visits; Update/work on self-evaluation and priority planning method
13/06/2022	On-boarding guidance & training; Finance and HR; 16 th June	Chairs Forum Wed 15 th June – preparing for changes to the way in which governing bodies work; This will be an in person meeting for chairs of the schools joining in September. You can invite clerks, heads and/or other governors if you feel it will be helpful. At this forum, CMAT directors and CEO will share a practical overview of governance. We will then share questions and suggestions about any issues not covered and agree actions.
20/06/2022	Finance system working group; 23 rd June	Business Managers (& other staff as appropriate): • Attending finance system working group • Attending 'on-boarding' guidance and training session.

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	On-boarding guidance & training; Finance and HR; 23rd June	
27/06/2022	On-boarding guidance & training; Finance and HR; 30 th June	Business Managers (& other staff as appropriate) attending 'on-boarding' guidance and training session.
04/07/2022	Advisory Board; Wed 6 th July On-boarding guidance & training; Finance and HR; 7 th July	 Business Managers (& other staff as appropriate) attending 'on-boarding' guidance and training session. Before the end of term, governing bodies will need to: Agreed in a meeting to authorise the chair, another governor and the head teacher to sign transfer documents and/or funding agreements, etc. These documents will be provided by Winkworth Sherwood once all legal work has been completed. Have completed a TUPE report covering the main responses and actions from the consultation. St Clare CMAT can support with this by providing responses to questions and a summary of any actions planned including any agreed in central discussion with unions. Winkworth Sherwood can also provide a template if requested.
11/07/2022	Close TUPE Heads' Forum 12 th July (Date TBC) - 9.30-11.00am	Business Managers – remote training session on new finance system (TBC) Share TUPE report with all members of staff Heads' Forum – 12 th July; Finalise self-evaluation and priority improvement approach, finalise immediate trust school improvement priorities