

STATUTORY INSPECTION OF ANGLICAN SCHOOLS



The Diocese
of St Albans
Schools Team

Ofsted Inspections from April 2009

- School and Diocese are notified of an Ofsted inspection
- School makes contact with Jane Chipperton at the Diocese of St Albans (readviser@stalbans.anglican.org)
- School is given a date for the SIAS inspection by the Diocese within three weeks of the Ofsted inspection
- Inspector contacts the school
- Contract form sent by the school governors to the inspector; inspector to retain one copy, the governors the other
- Ofsted SEF and Church school updated SEF may be sent to the SIAS inspector and the Diocese **one week** before the inspection. (The Diocese should have a copy of the previous SIAS SEF.)
- Inspection will take 1-2 days max
- Inspector fills in notebook and makes initial hypotheses
- Inspector devises a plan
 - questions to ask school
 - evidence to see
 - pupils/people to talk to
 - RE observations
 - Collective Worship observation(s)
- General feedback to teachers at the end of a lesson observation
- Feedback to Senior Management at the end of the inspection on
 - the distinctive Christian Character of the school
 - RE (in VA schools)
 - Collective Worship
 - Management and Leadership of the school as a Church of England school
 - overall judgment: how distinctive and effective the school is as a Church of England school
- Inspectors have professional dialogue with staff and governors to validate the school self-evaluation
- Report and JRF is written as soon as possible, checked by the Critical Reader and Diocesan RE Adviser and a draft is sent to the school to be returned within three days
- Inspector sends copy of final report to the school
- Inspector sends copy of final report, JRF and NS claim form to the Diocese
- Diocese forwards these to the NS
- NS pays Inspector

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