



**THE BIRMINGHAM
CATHOLIC PRIMARY
PARTNERSHIP**

ANNUAL REPORT

2008/2009

**The Birmingham Catholic Primary Partnership
Rooms C3 - C5
c/o Newman University College
Genners Lane
BIRMINGHAM
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DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2008/2009 - COURSES/PROVIDERS/DATES/VENUES

AUTUMN TERM			
Creatively using the RE Curriculum Strategy	Fr Jonathan Veasey	12 September 2008	RE Department
Management of literacy	Jill Crosbie	23 September 2008	St Paul's Convent
Preparing to lead and manage a Catholic primary school - Cohort 5 Module 3	Sr Judith Russi	26 September 2008	The Bromsgrove Hotel
Modern foreign language provision	Rona Heald	8 October 2008	St Paul's Convent
Governor training - School building issues	David Gelsthorpe-Hill	13 October 2008	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Sacrament of Confirmation	Fr Jonathan Veasey	14 October 2008	RE Department
Role of the head teacher and applying for headship	David Loxton	17 October 2008	Centrelink House
Role of the deputy head teacher and applying for a senior post	David Loxton	17 October 2008	Centrelink House
Fire Awareness	Wulfrunian Training Services	7 November 2008	Centrelink House
Financial Management Standard in School	drb Management	11 November 2008	Oscott College
Fire Awareness	Wulfrunian Training Services	13 November 2008	Great Barr Hotel
Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion	Fr Jonathan Veasey	20 November 2008	RE Department
Effective use of data	Jim Henry	28 November 2008	The Bromsgrove Hotel
Preparing to lead and manage a Catholic primary school - Cohort 5 Module 4	Frank Farrell, Jim, Henry and Paul Walmsley	28 November 2008	The Bromsgrove Hotel
SPRING TERM			
Target setting and the assessment of RE	Fr Jonathan Veasey	15 January 2009	RE Department
School improvement - two-day course	Frank Farrell	22 & 29 January 2009	Centrelink House
Learning and Leading - 'Just do it'	Sir John Jones	6 February 2009	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Fire Awareness	Wulfrunian Training Services	11 February 2009	The Hub
Assemblies, Eucharist and Collective Worship	Sr Judith Russi	27 February 2009	Centrelink House
Music for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1	Sue Nicholls	5 March 2009	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Music for Key Stage 2	Sue Nicholls	6 March 2009	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Read, Write Inc training - two-day course	Karen Morris (Ruth Miskin)	12 & 13 March 2009	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Governor training - the role of the governor	Fr Jonathan Veasey	16 March 2009	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Early Years Foundation Stage	Bogusia Matusiak-Varley	17 March 2009	St Paul's Convent
Early Years Foundation Stage	Bogusia Matusiak-Varley	18 March 2009	St Paul's Convent
SMSC, multi-cultural and multi-faith education and resources	Fr Jonathan Veasey	20 March 2009	RE Department
Applying for a promoted post	Frank Farrell	27 March 2009	The Hub
Effective Child Protection	Derek Lockhart	31 March 2009	Centrelink House
SUMMER TERM			
Supporting children with speech and language difficulties	Terry Gilligan	27 April 2009	Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre
Training for non-Catholic staff working in a Catholic school	Fr Jonathan Veasey	28 April 2009	RE Department
e-Safety	Andy Pyper - Link2ICT	6 May 2009	The Hub
Management of RE	Fr Jonathan Veasey	19 May 2009	RE Department
Handling difficult people and situations	Bob Service	4 June 2009	Oscott College
Assessment for Learning	Bill Thompson	8 June 2009	Centrelink House
Citizenship and school councils	Sr Judith Russi	10 June 2009	Oscott College
Social Cohesion	Fr Jonathan Veasey and Jim Henry	14 July 2009	RE Department
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	Friday 30 January 2009		
HEADTEACHER BRIEFING MEETINGS	Friday 5 December 2008 Friday 1 May 2009		
MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETINGS	Wednesday 1 October 2008 Thursday 27 November 2008	Friday 30 January 2009 Wednesday 29 April 2009 Tuesday 16 June 2009	
PRIMARY/SECONDARY BOARD MEETING	Wednesday 24 June 2009		

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Annual Report is to enable all head teachers, teachers, non-teaching staff and governing bodies, to review Primary Partnership activity and assess the quality of the training, which took place during the academic year 2008/2009.

During this period, seventy-nine schools joined the Primary Partnership.

During the course of the year, a sub-committee was charged with reviewing the work of the Birmingham Catholic Primary Partnership. All schools were sent a questionnaire, the returns were extremely positive and indicated that the Primary Partnership workload should remain unchanged.

Apart from the courses outlined on the next page, Primary Partnership representatives have reported to, and attended, over twenty head teacher cluster meetings, five Management Board meetings, two head teacher briefing meetings, one meeting of the Primary/Secondary Working Group and three meetings of the CPSS Steering Group.

The academic year 2008/2009, was a year of continued growth for the Birmingham Catholic Primary Partnership. During the year the Primary Partnership officers were contracted for a seventh year to organise the RE INSET for the Archdiocese of Birmingham. In addition, the Primary Partnership was awarded thirty places on international study visits. The Primary Partnership also hosted a visit by the CEO and International Coordinator of Eskilstuna.

The Development Plan 2008/2009 outlined many other issues to be dealt with during this period, by the Primary Partnership officers. These officers have continued to hold meetings with various bodies such as the Catholic Education Service, Local Authorities, DCSF and Newman University College on a regular basis. For the first time, delegates on the 'Preparing to Lead and Manage a Catholic Primary School' course, were able to have this work accredited at Master of Education level.

This year, a sub-committee continued to work on the promotion of the Catholic Partnership Supply Service (CPSS). This service has grown on a month-by-month basis and is now well established.

The Annual General Meeting of the Primary Partnership took place on Friday 30 January 2009 at Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre.

In the summer term, the Development Plan 2009/2010 was finalised and delivered to schools.

I would like to thank all members of the Birmingham Catholic Primary Partnership Management Board, members of working groups, all cluster coordinators and head teachers who represent their schools at cluster meetings, and the huge number of teachers and support staff for their commitment to the Primary Partnership.

Paul Walmsley
September 2009

EVALUATIONS

Course evaluations this year again proved to be extremely positive.

Where the majority of evaluations were fours and fives, then the course was obviously of high quality. Where the replies were mostly threes, fours and fives, the course could be deemed to be of good quality. If the majority of evaluations were twos, threes and fours, then the course would probably evaluate as satisfactory. Where replies were grouped in the three, two and one section, the course would cause the Primary Partnership Board some concern and remedial action would be taken.

The evaluation tables give a percentage return in each grade, for programme, provider, venue and catering. Space is provided in each section and in a final, 'Suggestions for Improvements' box, for course delegates to make written comment. These comments are always closely scrutinised and considered.

Evaluation forms for every course are retained on a year-to-year basis and these can be inspected at the Primary Partnership office, should you wish to view the written comments about any particular course.

Below, is a table giving the overall percentages in each grade and section for all the courses run by the Primary Partnership this year.

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	71.1%	26.1%	2.5%	0.3%	0.0%
PROVIDERS	77.3%	21.3%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%
VENUES	60.3%	32.2%	7.1%	0.3%	0.1%
CATERING	71.5%	23.1%	4.3%	1.0%	0.1%

Very Good 5 Good 4 Satisfactory 3 Poor 2 Very Poor 1

Course: Creatively using the RE Curriculum Strategy

Date: 12 September 2008

33 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	79%	9%	9%	3%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	73%	24%	3%	0%	0%
CATERING	82%	15%	3%	0%	0%

Course: Management of literacy

Date: 23 September 2008

25 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	60%	24%	16%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Jill Crosbie (BASS)	68%	20%	12%	0%	0%
VENUE St Paul's Convent	72%	24%	4%	0%	0%
CATERING	96%	4%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Preparing to Lead & Manage a Catholic Primary School - Cohort 5 Module 3

Date: 26 September 2008

11 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Sr Judith Russi	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE The Bromsgrove Hotel	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	82%	18%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Modern foreign language provision

Date: 8 October 2008

27 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	62%	38%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Rona Heald	67%	33%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE St Paul's Convent	81%	19%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	57%	29%	14%	0%	0%

Course: Sacrament of Confirmation*Date: 14 October 2008*

41 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	73%	20%	7%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	71%	22%	7%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	56%	39%	5%	0%	0%
CATERING	78%	12%	10%	0%	0%

Course: The role of the head teacher and applying for headship*Date: 17 October 2008 (AM)*

7 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER David Loxton	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	43%	57%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%

Course: The role of the deputy head teacher and applying for a promoted post*Date: 17 October 2008 (PM)*

19 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	63%	21%	16%	0%	0%
PROVIDER David Loxton	79%	16%	5%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	63%	27%	5%	5%	0%
CATERING	74%	21%	5%	0%	0%

Course: Fire awareness and risk assessment*Date: 7 November 2008*

9 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Wulfrunian Training Services	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	56%	11%	33%	0%	0%
CATERING	56%	44%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Financial Management Standard in Schools

Date: 11 November 2008

25 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	28%	68%	4%	0%	0%
PROVIDER drb Management Ltd	44%	52%	4%	0%	0%
VENUE Oscott College	24%	28%	16%	4%	0%
CATERING	40%	32%	20%	8%	0%

Course: Fire awareness and risk assessment

Date: 13 November 2008

10 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Wulfrunian Training Services	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Great Barr Hotel	30%	40%	30%	0%	0%
CATERING	20%	60%	20%	0%	0%

Course: Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion

Date: 20 November 2008

32 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	82%	18%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	60%	28%	12%	0%	0%
CATERING	97%	3%	0	0%	0%

Course: Preparing the lead & manage a Catholic primary school - Cohort 5 Module 4

Date: Friday 28 November 2008

6 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Frank Farrell, Jim Henry, Mary Higgins, Fr Jonathan Veasey, Paul Walmsley	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE The Holiday Inn, Bromsgrove	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Course: The effective use of data*Date: 28 November 2008*

40 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Jim Henry	78%	22%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE The Holiday Inn, Bromsgrove	68%	28%	2%	2%	0%
CATERING	64%	32%	4%	0%	0%

Course: Target setting and the assessment of RE*Date: 15 January 2009*

40 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	73%	22%	5%	0%	0%
CATERING	92%	8%	0%	0%	0%

Course: School improvement - Day 1*Date: 22 January 2009*

32 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	53%	47%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Frank Farrell	56%	44%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	19%	40%	40%	1%	0%
CATERING	35%	47%	16%	2%	0%

Course: School improvement - Day 2*Date: 29 January 2009*

28 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	43%	43%	14%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Frank Farrell	50%	32%	18%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	22%	50%	24%	0%	4%
CATERING	32%	54%	10%	4%	0%

Course: Fire awareness and risk assessment*Date: 11 February 2009*

10 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Wulfrunian Training	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE The Hub	40%	60%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Assemblies, Eucharist and Collective Worship*Date: 27 February 2009*

28 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Sr Judith Russi	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	57%	36%	7%	0%	0%
CATERING	68%	22%	4%	6%	0%

Course: Music for Foundation and Key Stage 1*Date: 5 March 2009*

26 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Sue Nicholls	96%	4%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Music - Key Stage 2*Date: 6 March 2009*

18 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Sue Nicholls	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Read, Write Inc Training - Day 1*Date: 12 March 2009*

34 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Karen Morris	71%	29%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre	65%	32%	3%	0%	0%
CATERING	62%	21%	14%	3%	0%

Course: Read, Write Inc Training - Day 2*Date: 13 March 2009*

34 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Karen Morris	83%	17%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre	71%	26%	3%	0%	0%
CATERING	74%	6%	20%	0%	0%

Course: Raising the bar - Inspecting EYFS*Date: 17 March 2009*

28 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	64%	36%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Bogusia Matusiak- Varley	75%	25%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE St Paul's Convent	64%	32%	4%	0%	0%
CATERING	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Raising the bar - Inspecting EYFS*Date: 18 March 2009*

43 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	65%	28%	7%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Bogusia Matusiak- Varley	63%	33%	2%	2%	0%
VENUE St Paul's Convent	54%	30%	16%	0%	0%
CATERING	68%	24%	2%	4%	2%

Course: Social, moral, spiritual and cultural education

Date: 20 March 2009

35 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	66%	34%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	77%	23%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	57%	43%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	83%	17%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Applying for a promoted post

Date: 27 March 2009

14 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	57%	43%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Frank Farrell	57%	43%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE The Hub	43%	50%	7%	0%	0%
CATERING	64%	29%	0%	7%	0%

Course: Effective child protection

Date: 31 March 2009

20 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	40%	60%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Derek Lockhart	40%	60%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	30%	70%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	40%	60%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Supporting children with speech and language difficulties

Date: 27 April 2009

22 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Terry Gilligan	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Tally Ho Sports & Conference Centre	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Training for non-Catholic staff working in Catholic schools*Date: 28 April 2009*

29 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	55%	41%	4%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	73%	27%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	55%	38%	7%	0%	0%
CATERING	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%

Course: e-Safety*Date: 6 May 2009*

10 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	30%	70%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Andy Pyper - Link 2ICT	60%	40%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE The Hub	30%	70%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	60%	40%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Management of RE*Date: 19 May 2009*

28 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	54%	43%	3%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Fr Jonathan Veasey	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	72%	28%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	97%	3%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Handling difficult people and situations*Date: 4 June 2009*

16 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	44%	56%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Bob Service	63%	37%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Oscott College	88%	12%	0%	0%	0%
CATERING	88%	12%	0%	0%	0%

Course: Assessment for learning*Date: 8 June 2009*

21 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Bill Thompson	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Centrelink House	62%	29%	9%	0%	0%
CATERING	62%	34%	4%	0%	0%

Course: Citizenship and school councils*Date: 10 June 2009*

28 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Sr Judith Russi	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE Oscott College	54%	43%	3%	0%	0%
CATERING	58%	39%	3%	0%	0%

Course: Community cohesion*Date: 14 July 2009*

33 Evaluations

	5	4	3	2	1
PROGRAMME	67%	24%	9%	0%	0%
PROVIDER Jim Henry/Fr Jonathan Veasey	76%	24%	0%	0%	0%
VENUE RE Department	67%	27%	6%	0%	0%
CATERING	73%	24%	3%	0%	0%