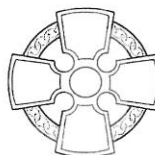


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Dear Colleague,

The Church in Wales Education Review: Consultation

In 2006, The Church in Wales began a major review of its education work, looking both at its provision and also the impact of this work on the children and young people of Wales. A Review Group was established and the work so far has identified many examples of outstanding practice, with dedicated teachers and support staff working hand in hand with committed local communities, to ensure the highest standards for learners in a climate of commitment and shared exploration. The Review Group's work has encompassed the statutory responsibility that the Church in Wales has to its 168 maintained schools, and gone further to consider the Church's wider work and involvement in schools and colleges, supported by its network of parishes and pastoral expertise.

The final report will be published in early 2009, The Year of the Child. The Review Group hopes this will provide an open and honest appraisal of the Church's involvement in statutory education in Wales, with clear recommendations to strengthen that provision, develop better models of partnership at every level and, most importantly, enhance the impact of education with a distinctive Christian character across Wales.

This consultation presents the initial findings and emerging recommendations and now invites your response to some of the challenges facing faith-based education in Wales. Responses can be submitted:

In hard copy using the Consultation Response Form, or by letter to:

The Church in Wales Education Review (Consultation)
Diocesan Education Office
The Court
Coychurch
Bridgend CF35 5HF

Electronically, via the Church in Wales website at <http://www.churchinwales.org.uk/life/schools/> or via the Review Group website at [www.churchinwaleseducationreview](http://www.churchinwaleseducationreview.org.uk) or directly by email to pennysnowden@churchinwales.org.uk

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