

**Let's celebrate some great improvements in RE grades in recent S 48 inspections!**  
**'The people will celebrate God's abundant goodness and joyfully sing of his righteousness' taken from Psalm 145:7.**

**Well done everyone!**

**A taste of the highlights from SIAS reports since Sept'09:**

- *Assessment was an area of development in the previous inspection and the subject co-ordinator has worked with teachers in an outstanding way to address this. The system that has evolved gives accurate feedback and importantly involves the pupils in self assessment. This includes pupil discussion with class teachers and with the co-ordinator following lesson observations.*
- *The learners enjoy the new syllabus with a wide range of interesting activities, particularly ICT, drama and art.*
- *There is a strong emphasis in lessons on inclusion. Teachers skilfully manage their lessons so all are included and listened to. Good use is made of support staff. In one lesson a teaching assistant explained how her faith supported her life journey.*
- *Teachers develop pupils' understanding of content through good use of open questioning linked to lesson objectives.*
- *Children understand clearly what they will learn and how to apply it. Pupils are able to reflect on and extend their learning through discussion with others. They listen to each other well. Pupils from other faiths are confident to contribute their experiences.*
- *Pupils' enjoyment of RE is evident in lessons, in their responses in a discussion with them and also in the written work and photographic evidence seen. Pupils commented: "Nearly everyone in our class likes RE". "It's fun to learn about God". "We think about other people's religions".*
- *RE is seen as very important in the school and given a high profile. Planning is innovative, creative and well organised with many opportunities for learners to participate through first hand experience.*
- *RE is well taught by knowledgeable teachers who make lessons fun. Regular monitoring has raised the standard of teaching and learning in RE.*

**Check out the website:**

[www.southwark.anglican.org/education](http://www.southwark.anglican.org/education)

*For information on RE, collective worship Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools (SIAS).*

*A new introduction to the RE schemes of work includes a section on:*

*Why teach RE? How do pupils learn RE?*

*Key features of the SDBE schemes of work and a table giving details of individual units to assist long term planning.*

**YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICES**

**SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL**

**SPACES STILL AVAILABLE**

10-30 on 8 July '09

10.30 am 10 July '09

Please E mail booking request

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES:**  
**Next RE SUBJECT LEADERS' CONFERENCE**  
**5 June 2009 please see ATTACHED FLYER**  
**And 2009/10 SDBE training booklet on website**



CALENDAR OF CHRISTIAN AND  
OTHER SELECTED FESTIVALS FOR SUMMER TERM'09

26 April - 2 May Save The Children Week  
[www.savethechildren.org.uk](http://www.savethechildren.org.uk)

9 May Wesak/Buddha Day (Buddhism)  
[www.buddhanet.net/vesak.htm](http://www.buddhanet.net/vesak.htm)

21 May Ascension Day (Christian)  
[www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity)

29 May Shavuot (Jewish)  
[www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/judaism](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/judaism)

31 May Pentecost (Christian)  
[www.refuel.org.uk/curric/festivals/pentecost/](http://www.refuel.org.uk/curric/festivals/pentecost/)

7 June Trinity Sunday (Christian)  
[www.churchyear.net/trinitysunday.html](http://www.churchyear.net/trinitysunday.html)

<http://www.reonline.org.uk/festivals>

For worship ideas look up: <http://cowo.culham.ac.uk/>