

A reflection day for School Chaplains with Professor Trevor Cooling

OUNDLE SCHOOL WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY 2025 10:15AM – 5:00PM

Hosted by Peterborough Diocesan Board of Education & Oundle School

Cost £17.50 (includes lunch)
To make a booking please follow the link <u>here</u>
Bookings close Wednesday 14th May

Recently, the Church of England has required its schools to be theologically-rooted in developing their vision. This sounds like a wonderful idea if church schools are to be 'distinctively Christian', but how does it work in practice given that most school leaders are not theologically trained? Drawing on his extensive experience of working with Anglican schools and teachers in the UK and Australia, Trevor will lead our reflective day exploring how this vision might work in practice. We will together examine academic discussions and practical school-based examples and face up to the increasing challenges of being distinctively Christian in today's world. Finally, we will ponder the role of the chaplain as the theologian in residence.

Programme

| 10.15am | Arrival and coffee |
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| 10.45am | Morning Prayer |
| 11.05am | Session 1 |
| 12.35pm | Eucharist |
| 1.15pm | Lunch |
| 2.15pm | Session 2 |
| 3.45pm | Tea |
| 4.15pm | Sung Evening Prayer |



Trevor Cooling is Emeritus Professor of Christian Education at Canterbury Christ Church University. He has enjoyed a long career in education including roles as a teacher, a university theology lecturer, a diocesan adviser, the CEO of an educational charity, an author and finally as Director of the National Institute for Christian Education Research at Christ Church. His two areas of work are in Church schools and Religious Education. He has led influential national projects in both of these fields.