

“Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible” (Saint Francis of Assisi)



THE SECONDARY CORE SUBJECT LEADERS' NETWORK

The Secondary Core Subject Leaders' Network is a professional network designed to support St Francis' mission for all children to receive an outstanding curriculum which shapes them as people in God's image.

This is a collaborative forum designed to support, develop, and empower the Subject Leaders of core subjects across the CMATs' secondary schools. Rooted in the shared mission of Catholic education, the network fosters professional dialogue, promotes consistency in curriculum delivery, and encourages the sharing of best practices.

Through attending the Secondary Core Subject Leaders' Network, leaders will:

- † Deepen leadership knowledge about roles and responsibilities.
- † Align curriculum planning with both national expectations and the Catholic ethos of St Francis' CMAT.
- † Share resources, ideas, and strategies to ensure effective subject leadership.
- † Engage in reflective practice and ongoing professional development.
- † Support one another in driving improvements and raising standards



The Secondary Core Subject Leaders' Network will also support progress and evidence towards the St Francis' Senior Leadership Competencies. These are identified as:

- † Catholic Identity
- † Excellence in Teaching
- † Flourishing Curriculums
- † Behaviour and Conscience
- † Equality for All
- † Working for the Common Good
- † Operational Service
- † Mission Driven Leadership
- † Fulfillment of Others
- † Collective Stewardship



“Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.”
Proverbs 16:3



NETWORK STRUCTURE

Dates:

Networks will be held half-termly, dates will be communicated each September.

Venue:

Predominantly held at St Francis CMAT Headquarters, The Old Grammar School, 13 Moorgate Road, Rotherham, S60 2EN.

Duration:

All sessions will be approximately 2 hours in duration, taking place during the afternoons.

KEY FOCUS POINTS DURING THE NETWORKS:

The roles, responsibilities and expectations of subject leaders.

Driving forward intent, implementation and impact of curriculums.

Peer support and partner school visits.

Overcoming barriers and celebrating successes.

Faith-filled reflection and evaluation.

Educational updates.

By working together in faith and partnership, the Secondary Subject Leaders' Network helps ensure that all pupils across the Trust receive a high-quality, broad, and balanced curriculum that nurtures both academic excellence and spiritual growth.

