



Church-School quick audit

Use this checklist to audit your existing links with schools and to identify additional areas in which your church can operate.

In each section it may be helpful to think about what follow up action immediately comes to mind. It may be something as simple as checking the information with someone in another church. Challenge yourself to put a deadline on each action, plus (if working in a group) the name of the person who will do it. Hopefully in this will provide a way forward so that this doesn't merely remain a paper exercise.

Identifying your schools

List the schools in the area served by your church.	Secondary schools	Names of Head-teachers & deposes	<u>Follow-up action</u>
	Primary Schools	Names of Head-teachers & deposes	
	Pre-five	Names of Head-teachers & deposes	

What links are there into the school?

Are there any teachers in the congregation?	<u>Name, School, Position</u>	<u>Follow-up action</u>
Are any of the congregation employed in any other capacity in the school?	<u>Names & position in the school.</u>	
Identify parents in the congregation whose children go to these schools	<u>Names</u>	
Are there senior pupils in the congregation	<u>Names & year in school</u>	
Are there other Christian teachers in the school?	<u>Name, School, Position</u>	
Who is the recognised chaplain to the school? Or is there a chaplaincy team?	<u>Names & contact details</u>	
Is your school on SU Scotland's <i>Prayer for Schools list</i> ?	<u>Think about how your church could encourage prayer for the school</u>	

What are the resources that your Church has?

<p>Who in the Church would be available to help in a school on an occasional basis?</p>	<p><u>Names & contact details</u></p>	<p><u>Skills/interests they could bring</u></p>	<p><u>Follow-up action</u></p>
<p>Who in the Church would be available to help in a school on a weekly basis?</p>	<p><u>Names & contact details</u></p>	<p><u>Skills/interests they could bring</u></p>	<p><u>Follow-up action</u></p>
<p>Who would be able and available for some of these settings?</p>	<p><u>More formal or upfront</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivering Religious Observance • Religious & Moral Education classes <p>Being on the School-parent Council</p>	<p><u>More informal settings</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helping in classrooms • Helping with school clubs • Helping with practical needs 	<p><u>Follow-up action</u></p>

<p>Are there any facilities in the church which could be offered to local schools?</p>	<p><u>list</u></p>	<p><u>Follow-up action</u></p>
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Some practical questions to consider

<p>Who needs to join the PVG scheme/ update their membership in the Church?</p>		<p><u>Follow-up action</u></p>
<p>What training needs might volunteers have? (E.G. child protection, understanding a school environment, how to talk about faith appropriately in schools?)</p>		<p><u>Follow-up action</u></p>