

Improving the diversity of senior leadership teams

A programme for aspiring senior leaders for 2025/26 – cohort 4

Activity	Date, venue and lead/ trainer
Application deadline	Monday 13 October 2025 Application deadline on Ealing Grid for Learning
Launch event	Wednesday 19 November 2025, 16:00 -17:30 at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School Siara Mirza
Personal leadership coaching sessions + DISC assessment/report	Three sessions – confirmed with candidates and coach directly. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November/ December 2025 • January / February 2026 • May /June 2026 Dr Noella Lynch-Edghill
Presentation and public speaking training for senior leadership	Wednesday 26 November 2025, 9am -4pm at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School David Shosanya
Application workshop including data and finance practical tasks	Wednesday 28 January 2026 from 9am-4pm at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School Siara Mirza
Interview workshop including practice / role play	Wednesday 4 February 2026, 9am – 12noon at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School Toni George
Peer support session - Cohorts one to three	Wednesday 4 February 2026, 12:30- 3:30pm, at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School Siara Mirza and Dr Noella Lynch-Edghill
Applications for assistant / deputy/ headship roles	Wednesday 25 February 2026 Submit application to Saira Mirza
Interviews	Dates and venues TBC for March 2026 (selected dates/ various school locations. Ramadan – TBC. Term ends <i>Friday 4 April 2026</i> .
Application practice follow-up workshop	Wednesday 29 April 2026, 9:00 - 12:00 at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School Orlene Badu
One day senior leader shadowing placement in another school	Summer 2026 dates and schools May/ June/July 2026
Lead meet	Wednesday 8 July 2026, 15:30- 17:00 at The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic High School Siara Mirza