

# Trust Schools Pathfinder Newsletter

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## *Charity Commission – Important news*



The [Charities Act 2006 Implementation Plan](#) states that the Charity Commission will be registering large numbers of formerly excepted and exempt charities and therefore will not be accepting applications for voluntary registration. This means that for the foreseeable future **applications to the Charity Commission for voluntary registration are likely to be rejected**. You will only be able to register your Trust if it has an income above £5,000 per annum. We will issue some additional information about Charity Commission registration at a later date; in the meantime if you have any queries please contact your pathfinder lead.

## *Claiming your grant*



Following your feedback we have now streamlined the process for claiming your £15,000 grant. For details of the five steps to take when claiming your grant, please see the guidance attached to this e-mail. If you have any queries about the guidance, please contact your pathfinder lead.

## *And the next update.....*



The next newsletter will be sent w/c 11<sup>th</sup> June and will include details of the Governors celebration event and the Head teachers steering group. If you have any comments on this newsletter please e-mail: [Trust.SCHOOLS@dfes.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Trust.SCHOOLS@dfes.gsi.gov.uk)

## **CRB checks reminder**



All trustees should be CRB checked prior to implementation date. Each individual CRB check specifies a particular role/purpose for its holder. Therefore even if your trustees have previously been CRB checked we would recommend that another check is carried, which specifies their specific role as trustee. We recommend applying early as they can take a while to process.

## **Early Adopters**

A list of the 140 plus schools successful in applying for early adopter status has been attached to this e-mail. The list is broken down by local authority to help you find your near neighbours!