

Rother Teaching School Alliance

Newsletter update

Autumn 2020



ITT Update

Funding and bursaries for applications in 2020 -2021 have yet to be announced by the Department for Education we expect to hear soon. Regionally we have raised the issue of the lack of financial support for Primary trainees and the department have explained that this would be included in a wider conversation about ITT funding with the treasury.

Many of our applicants do self-fund so if you would like to host a School Direct trainee in the following academic year, do let me know of your specific requests and I will do my best to accommodate them.

Teach First - you may be eligible to host Teach First trainees, if your school has a large proportion of pupils who are disadvantaged. Visit the site for more [information](#).

Any Career Changers who are thinking of training to teach please visit the [Now Teach website](#).

If you have any questions about the practicalities of hosting a School Direct trainee or anything else ITT related, please don't hesitate to contact me for further information at mrswoode@strichardscc.com .

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NQT Update



Congratulations to all of our Newly Qualified Teachers who started their posts in September. Working with your mentors and tutors we know is key to your learning in your new post. This year in light of all the disruption over the last few months we have moved all of your CPD online. The new [online programme](#) has been available from the beginning of the new academic year. The programme includes;

Assessment for Learning, Inclusive Strategies for Applied Psychology, Finance and you, Being Curious not furious - behaviour for learning,

The Brian's Behind it, be a Neuro- Ninja Teacher, Learning from Special Education, The Joy of not Knowing - enquiry in learning, Structural Learning and Talking Tales.

All programmes are hosted on St Richard's Teaching School website in the format of video input, links to further reading, inter-session activities and in some cases live weekly seminar sessions to enable all NQTs to discuss their learning with the programme leaders.

We have also created a nine session [online CPD programme](#) for new mentors and a thirty minute online CPD about how to administer NQT induction in school through NQT Manager.

If you have any queries regarding NQT induction please contact us on nqt@strichardscc.com

Sussex Maths Hub Update

Sussex Maths Hub are recruiting schools to participate in their [projects](#), visit their site for more information. For schools who are already working with the Mastery approach there are opportunities to participate in funded work groups.

Webinar: Supporting Distance Learning in Maths

Are you ready to provide distance learning from September? Would you like to have a better insight into how colleagues around Sussex are developing their whole school approaches to this issue? Would you and your team benefit from swapping notes and sharing top tips on managing lessons remotely?

Date: 21st September

Time: 16.30-17.30

This webinar aims to share practical tips, example lessons and strategies to support children who are learning from home with a focus on introducing new learning. The DfE has said that: *“Schools are expected to consider how to continue to improve the quality of their existing offer and have a strong contingency plan in place for remote education provision by the end of September.”*

Please join us for this informative and user-friendly session (with the opportunity for Q & A) with **Emma Gale** (Assistant Maths Hub Lead) and **Lauren Clowes** (Primary Mastery Specialist Teacher).

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CPD and Support Opportunities in 2020/21

Free Computing CPD for Primary and Secondary Teachers

There is a wealth of free CPD for teachers [here](#). The team at Dartford Grammar School are keen to support schools and teachers to develop the computing skills of their pupils. Teachers can gain certificates in computing through undertaking online CPD programmes and explore computing pedagogy. For the future schools who are willing/able to host CPD sessions will receive funding to help them.

NPQSL or ML

The National Professional Qualifications for Middle and Senior Leaders will begin **online** in October 2020. Please visit our [website](#) for details of how to apply. The closing date is the 2nd October. Thank you to all who have applied, we look forward to meeting you in the Autumn Term.

RHSE Support and Resources

Please visit the RHSE [website](#) for resources or contact one of the providers below. RSHE training can be sought by contacting one of the following providers in SESL.

Altius Teaching School Alliance Phase: Primary Area: Kent, Medway, East Sussex, Brighton and Hove and the London Boroughs bordering Kent **Contact:**
www.altiusteachingschool.co.uk/rshe/

South Farnham Teaching School Phase: Primary Area: Surrey, Hampshire (and Isle of Wight), West Sussex and the London Boroughs bordering Surrey **Contact:** RSHE@sfet.org.uk

George Abbot Teaching School Phase: Secondary Area: South East and South London Region (Kent, Medway, East Sussex, Brighton and Hove, Surrey, Hampshire (includes Isle of Wight), West Sussex and the London Boroughs bordering Kent and Surrey) **Contact:**
www.georgeabbotteachingschool.co.uk/rshe/

Become an East Sussex Specialist Leader of Education

We are recruiting in the new term for additional leaders as we deal with the outcomes of a disrupted year. Check out the application form [here](#) the closing date is the 1st October.

Useful links and resources

Guide [Supporting School Planning](#) - The Education Endowment Fund. *The EEF's national content manager, Alex Quigley, introduces new guidance to support schools as they prepare for full re-opening to all pupils this year.*