

# Schools Newsletter



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## Greetings!

Welcome to the second edition of the schools newsletter. I am absolutely delighted that our new Service Director Jon Lewis is in post and I know he is working his way round the County seeing as many people as he can as quickly as he can. Jon brings with him much knowledge and experience in the area of Education; but as important, energy and enthusiasm to work with you to develop a school system fit for now and the future, ultimately aimed at giving children the best education possible.

You will have received a [survey](#) from Jon and I would very much appreciate you completing this as it will help us understand what you need from the Local Authority and others, to become the best schools who deliver the best outcomes for all our children.

You may not know this, but I am the lead director for the joint children's health and wellbeing commissioning unit. This comprises of local authority commissioners, clinical commissioning group (NHS) and public health. This unit is responsible for the budgets that fund things such as; emotional health and well-being services, such as counselling, CAMH, parenting programmes, children

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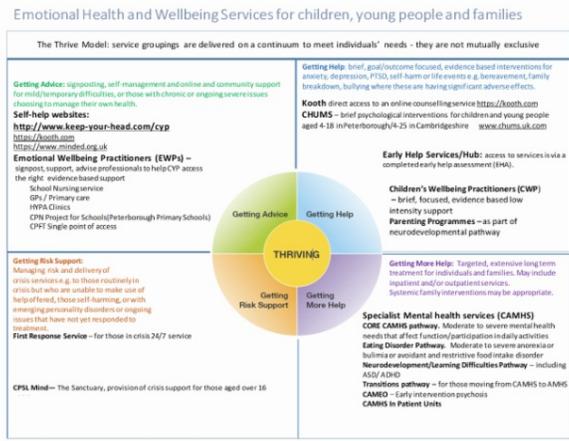
centres, school nursing and special school nursing and health visiting. I thought you might find this diagram of what is available for children's emotional health below helpful. I am keen to know where you are struggling to access support for children in your schools. Thank-you  
[Wendi Ogle Welbourne](#)

Ready?

Comes into force 25th May 2018. [Click here](#) for local advice.

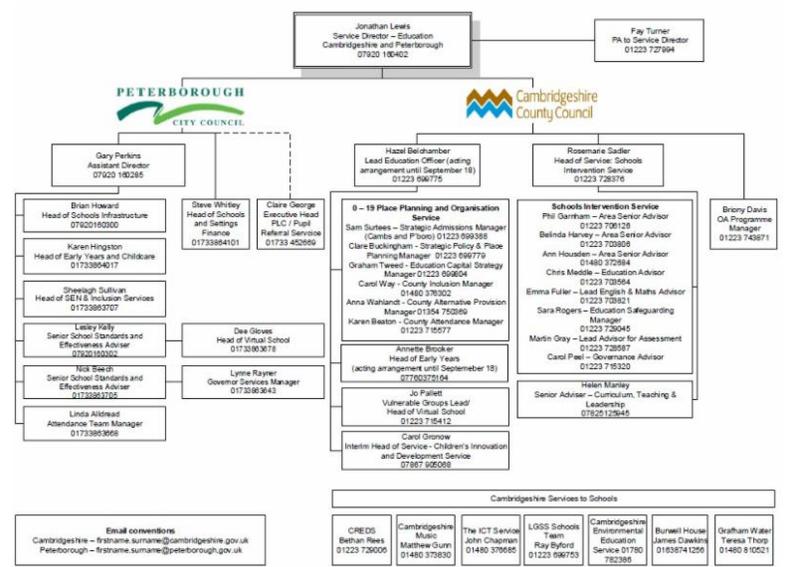
National Apprenticeship Week 5-9th March

Find out more [here](#).



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**Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Education Directorate structure diagram as previously promised**



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Thank you from Rosemarie

Last week will have been a really challenging time for Headteachers in making the decision as to whether or not to close schools. My thanks to Chris Meddle (Education Adviser) who worked so hard during last week throughout the snowy conditions. Chris was manning the phones from 5.30 am each morning.

Thank you to Primary Headteachers for returning the data prediction forms. We will now be able to analyse your responses and the English and maths advisers will contact some schools to offer additional, specific support and help with Easter Schools.

Congratulations to all school moderators and to the Schools Intervention Service moderators who passed the national STA moderation tests. I know that these were quite

challenging.

We have been working on the 'Primary Offer' for next year and I am delighted to inform you for budgeting purposes - that The Primary Offer will be remaining at the same cost as last year for Element 1, with a £50 increase to Element 2. The usual discounts for federations and MATs apply. The Primary Offer Booklet will be emailed to you by the end of term.

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday 8 March at the Annual Assessment Conference at Cambridge Golf and Conference Centre where Mary Myatt will be presenting.

[Rosemarie Sadler](#)

### Children and Young People Committee

The papers for the meeting on the 13th March (2 until 5pm) can be found on Cambridgeshire county council's website [here](#). Of interest to you will be the review of the Behaviour, Attendance and Improvement Partnership (BAIP), update on the Children and Families centres, the new syllabus for Religious Education and the 2016/17 overall Education Performance in Cambridgeshire. Meetings are public and key officers are identified on the papers.

### ChatHealth - text messaging service for young people

The Cambridgeshire Healthy Child Programme has launched a secure NHS approved text messaging service for young people aged 13-19.

It is run by the school nursing team, and provides an alternative way for young people to engage with school nurses on topics including relationship advice, healthy eating, smoking cessation, bullying and exam stress. All young people need to do is send a text to 07480 635 443 to start a conversation.

For more information about ChatHealth, you can watch their animation here.



To get a ChatHealth promotional pack for your school [email here](#) or [download](#).

### Fraud Alert from the National Fraud Intelligence Bureau

[The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau \(NFIB\)](#) has seen an increase in recent weeks in the volume of CEO Fraud reports where schools are the targeted victim. This has resulted in substantial financial losses for several schools that have fallen victim to this type of fraud.

### March is Safeguarding Awareness Month!

The Cambridge and Peterborough Children's and Adults Safeguarding Boards are running some awareness raising activities - but are also issuing a challenge to all.

What can you do where you work to raise safeguarding awareness?

Some ideas and things people did last year are; having a safeguarding display in reception areas, adding a safeguarding strapline to email signature, have a safeguarding quiz or other team activity, hold a talk or session about safeguarding for families and carers, discussing good practice and dilemmas in team meetings and senior staff

making a statement to teams about why safeguarding is so important. We know that you do many of these things on an ongoing basis but it would be great to link them to Safeguarding Awareness Month. Find out more at the [Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Board's website](#).

## Horizon scanning

The **National Governance Association** has produced a guide to assist governors and trustees in their strategic role. You can download the guide [here](#).

Do you know what really constitutes a data breach? Read the essential school guide to **GDPR** [here](#).

Questions about **test administration arrangements at Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2** for 2018? Join the Standards and Testing Agency discussion on Thursday 15 March: [STA Live Q&A - Preparing for 2018 Primary Assessments](#).

Want to find out more about the **Teaching and leadership Innovation Fund**? It is a 3-year investment worth £75 million, which will support high-quality professional development for teachers and school leaders in the areas and schools in England that need it most. Click [here](#).

### [Extra funding for schools to encourage take-up of A level Maths](#)

From September 2018, schools and colleges will receive an extra £600 premium for each additional pupil taking a level 3 maths qualification in comparison to a baseline. If an additional student is studying both a maths and further maths qualification in the same academic year, that student will be funded twice in the same year. This is to encourage the take up of further maths.

### **Teaching school and NLE application rounds opening soon**

We expect the next teaching schools and NLE application rounds will open during the summer term. Keep checking the webpage for more information about the exact date. If you or your school would like to register your interest or obtain more information then please visit the [Teaching School application page](#) or [NLE Application page](#). You can also listen direct to what some of the current [Teaching Schools](#) and [NLEs](#) have to say regarding the benefits of their designation and why they applied.

### **Tailored Support Programme: Expression of interest in providing strategic support for schools facing significant recruitment and retention challenges.**

In January 2018, the Department for Education (DfE), announced a £30million investment in tailored support, designed to help around 400 schools that have been identified as likely to be facing the most severe recruitment and retention challenges.

The DfE is looking for the services of existing system leaders with experience in tackling teacher supply issues within schools across Cambridgeshire. They are providing funding of up to £600 per day for this work. Successful applicants are expected to work with each school for up to six days in a year. deadline Wednesday 14 March 2018. [Click for more information.](#)

## New appointments

The Lantern Community Primary School has appointed David Lawrence (formerly the Acting Co-Head) to the post of Headteacher, with effect from 1 September 2018.

## Training Courses, Events and Conferences

**[Paragon Teaching School](#)**: Once again Claire Gadsby is offering three courses which can all impact positively on teaching and learning in the classroom. Tuesday 13 March 2018, Thursday 26 April 2018 and Wednesday 6 June 2018, all at Hampton Hargate Primary School, Hampton, Peterborough.

**[Maths CPD for NQTs and RQTs](#)**

Six twilight sessions: February and March, at the Stanton House ECaR room, 15.00 to 17.00. Developing confidence and effectiveness at teaching maths. £50 per person per session.

**[Workshop 5: Monitoring of Vulnerable Groups](#)**. Wednesday 14 March, 09.30 to 11.30, South Fens Business Centre. £60 for maintained schools, £70 for academies.

**[Workshop 5: Monitoring of Vulnerable Groups](#)**. Thursday 15 March 2018, 09.30 to 11.30, Cambridge Golf and Conference Centre. £60 for maintained schools, £70 for academies.

**[Secondary Heads of Science Network Meeting](#)**

Monday 19 March 2018, 13.30-16.30, Swavesey Village College. No charge  
This is a chance for collaboration with your peers so you can share information and develop as a leader.

**[Primary Science Network Meeting](#)**

Tuesday 20 March 2018, 16.00 to 17.30pm, Pathfinder School, Northstowe. No charge.

**[Paragon Teaching School Alliance History Day](#)**. Monday 26 March 2018, 9.00 to 15.30 at Hampton Hargate Primary School, Peterborough. Improve pupil outcomes in History through building a rigorous curriculum with both continuity and progression. £115 including lunch.

**[Year 5 Maths Challenge Heats](#)**

The ever-popular Maths Challenge is back, with 15 heats across the county throughout April and May. Winning teams progress to the final at IWM Duxford. £40 per team.

**[Primary Science Network Meeting](#)**

Monday 26 March 2018, 16.00 to 17.30, Highlees Primary School, Peterborough. No charge.

**[Making powerful connections between primary science, maths & literacy](#)**

Tuesday 27 March 2018, 9.30 to 15.30, Cambourne Village College. £150 per delegate  
Encouraging children to communicate science ideas, knowledge and understanding.  
Develops their literacy skills

**[Workshop 6: Safeguarding Policies and Website Compliance](#)**. Tuesday 1 May 2018, 09.30 to 11.30, South Fens Business Centre. £60 for maintained schools, £70 for academies.

**[Workshop 6: Safeguarding Policies and Website Compliance](#)**. Wednesday 2 May 2018, 09.30 to 11.30, Cambridge Golf and Conference Centre. £60 for maintained schools, £70 for academies.

**[Workshop 7: Health and Safety](#)**. Wednesday 23 May 2018, 09.30 to 11.30, Cambridge Golf and Conference Centre. £60 for maintained schools, £70 for academies.

**[Workshop 7: Health and Safety](#)**. Thursday 24 May 2018, 09.30 to 11.30, South Fens Business Centre. £60 for maintained schools, £70 for academies.

**[English Conference: 'Challenging Learners, Creative Approaches'](#)**

Friday 18 May 2018, 09.00 to 16.00. Featuring national speakers: Sarah Hubbard HMI, Professor Debra Myhill and James Clements. From £130 per person.

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