

Schools Newsletter



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Greetings!

Teaching Jobs Service is taking off!

The new [national search and listing service](#) for teaching roles in schools is taking off! We are delighted that 113 of our 250 schools have signed up already. The Department for Education is planning to [roll-out](#) to the rest of the UK soon. This service will build this year and we are at the forefront of that process influencing and shaping the service we need.

If you haven't signed up yet, please get on board. The process is easy. Simply contact teachingjobs@digital.education.gov.uk and be ready to hook your next recruit.

What's not to like, it's free!



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Have your say on new SEND Strategy

A new SEND strategy for [Cambridgeshire](#) and [Peterborough](#) has been co-produced by professionals, parents, carers and young people and we are now calling on SENCOs, teachers, and others who work with children with SEND, as well as young people and their parents, to complete a survey to help us to develop a detailed action plan. Please share this link with relevant teachers, young people, parents, school council and others who may wish to complete it.

The strategy is built upon the belief that considering the needs of children with SEND should be 'everyone's business' and we should provide services which will enable all young people to thrive.

Education Directorate Contact List - Really Useful

Thanks to all those who sent feedback about the new contact and structure document that we featured last week. Schools like yours are finding it really useful which is great news. So here is the [link again](#) just in case you haven't had a chance to look at it yet.

Calling all governors

We are inviting governors to subscribe to the schools newsletter to ensure they are kept up to date too. Please can you forward this edition to your governors, or send us a list of all governors together with their email addresses, and we will sign them up.

Cambridge School Farm Project - would you like to join?

David van Marle of the Cambridge Steiner School would like to invite you to join a collaborative project to set up a school farm centre for sustainability and outdoor learning in Cambridge. There is a 7 acre site available adjacent to Coldham's Common. The farm could have animals; fruit and vegetables could be grown; it could be a centre for land based crafts and projects centred around sustainable living. The pedagogical possibilities are endless.

You are invited to a visioning workshop at Cambridge Steiner School on 11 October from 16:00 to 18:00. The workshop will be led by Jo Clarke, who has over 20 years' experience in land based education and currently runs his own pedagogical farm in Devon.

Please email david.vanmarle@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk if you have any questions or would like to express interest in the project.

Autumn Term Governance Training Calendar

The training calendar is now available to make it even easier to see what courses are available this term for governors and clerks. It can be downloaded from the [Learn Together Cambridgeshire website](#).

On this site you will also find the Joint Annual Governance Training Programme for 18-19 and an updated 'Handy Guide' to booking Cambridgeshire courses online.

The Leadership Toolkit

A new Leadership Toolkit is shortly to be released. This is a suite of resources to help policy makers, practitioners and relevant stakeholders in schools across the Local Authority to improve standards.

It comprises Annual Schedule Posters, Guidance Documents and dedicated pages on The Knowledge Hub in a new 'Group Page' entitled the 'Leadership Toolkit' for:

- Safeguarding
- Governance
- Disadvantaged Pupils
- Teaching, Learning
- Assessment
- Foundation Subjects
- Maths
- English
- Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare (to include attendance)

(Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development (SMSC) embedded in all areas)

For more information contact [Diane Stygal](#) (Leadership Adviser) via email or check out the new Knowledge Hub Group entitled 'The Leadership Toolkit'.

Reading Project 2018 - 2019 - offer extended!

There are still places left for this exciting reading project, organised in conjunction with Cambridge University Press. The project will involve using books from the Cambridge University Press Reading Adventure Series. Over the course of the project, schools will be able to access the following:

- 2 sessions of CPD training led by the English Team (launch session 18.10.18).
- At least 1 in-school visit, of bespoke support, from an English Adviser
- 1 twilight CPD session to support data evaluation/writing the case study for the project.

Participating schools can:

- Choose ten free books from the Cambridge Reading Adventures series!
- Receive a 50% discount if ordering £500 or more of books (and digital resources)!

TO INDICATE YOUR INTEREST PLEASE CONTACT (BY FRIDAY 5 OCTOBER):
kathryn.brereton@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or erippeth@cambridge.org

DfE Guidance - Deal for schools: hiring supply teachers and agency workers

Selena Lansley, FCIPD (Principal Negotiating Officer, Local Government Association) has asked us to highlight that the DfE supply teacher framework is now live. Guidance can be found [here](#).

EEF publishes 'Improving Secondary Science guidance report'

The guidance report, which can be viewed [here](#), has been published to help boost teaching and learning in schools. The attainment gap in science between disadvantaged pupils and their better-off classmates first becomes apparent at Key Stage 1 and only gets wider throughout primary and secondary school and on to A-level. This new report offers 7 clear and actionable recommendations to support practitioners and leaders in secondary schools to improve science teaching, particularly for disadvantaged pupils.

Women Leading in Education: Autumn 2018 update for Regional Networks and Coaching Pledge

- Are you a woman teacher or system leader who wants support for your career within education?
- Would you like to register to be a coach?
- Would you like to attend a regional event to improve your coaching skills or potentially meet a coach to work with?

If the answer to any of the above is yes, then please access the re-launched WLE

regional networks. The 9 school-led regional networks will create local, regional and national events on career progression and leadership development throughout the year. To access your local network and sign-up, please visit GOV.UK. To sign up to be a coach, to find a coach or find out more please visit the [TSC website](#).

For information - Epipen Supply Issue - 18 September 2018

NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough CCG has sent a letter to the Local Authority containing important information about the supply of epipens. Read the letter [here](#).

Recruitment of Early Years Foundation Stage Profile Moderators

Cambridgeshire Early Years Service are recruiting EYFS Moderators for 2018/9. The position offers a Professional Development Opportunity for experienced Early Years teachers to be involved in the Local Authority's responsibility for the end of EYFS statutory assessment for the year 2019.

Moderators will be required for up to 7 days during the academic year 2018 - 19.

For further information and an application pack please contact [Diane Small](#) (Early Years Adviser, Schools)

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Closing date for applications: Monday 29 October 2018.

Promoting EBacc and languages at GCSE: request for examples of subject choice guidance

The Department for Education is looking to promote the EBacc at GCSE level. They want pupils to be encouraged to consider the languages in order to meet the government's EBacc ambition that 75% of year 10 pupils in state-funded mainstream schools will start to study GCSEs in the EBacc combination of subjects by September 2022, reaching 90% by 2025.

The department is looking for examples of guidance that schools give to parents and pupils when making GCSE subject choices. If you can help, please email catherine.gregory@education.gov.uk with:

- advice on how you engage with parents and pupils around subject choices;
- information you provide on GCSE subject choices;
- materials that talk about the EBacc or languages; or
- suggestions for information you would find helpful when advising parents and pupils.

Stay informed during the UK withdrawal from the EU: Advice for EU citizens and employers

The UK is due to leave the European Union (EU) on 29 March 2019. If you are an EU citizen, have teaching colleagues from the EU or you are recruiting from the EU, we encourage you to read and share this information. The main campaign page, [EU citizen in the UK - Stay Informed](#), provides information on the citizens' rights agreement and the Settlement Scheme for EU citizens in the UK. You can also sign up here to alerts from the Home Office.

If EU citizens want to stay in the UK beyond 31 December 2020, they and their close family members will need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme. The scheme will open fully by March 2019. Please visit Gov.UK for more information. A [new toolkit](#) has been launched to equip employers with the tools and information to support EU citizens and their families on the EU Settlement Scheme.

Horizon scanning

See the GOV.UK website for new school improvement support resources.

Training Courses, Events and Conferences

For a list of all current training courses provided by the Local Authority and Teaching schools [click here](#).

[Planning for Mastery in a Mixed Age KS1 Class](#)

Select "Maths" Monday 8 October 2018, 13:30 to 16.30, Cambridgeshire Golf and Conference Centre. Prices starting from £65 per head.

[Managing Teaching Assistants to Maximise Learning](#)

Wednesday 10 October 2018, 09.30 to 12.00, ECaR Centre, Stanton House, Huntingdon.

[Supporting Learning during Whole Class Teaching \[for TAs\]](#)

Wednesday 10 October 2018, 13.00 to 15.30, ECaR Centre, Stanton House, Huntingdon.

[Wider Safeguarding Culture \(SFBC\)](#)

Select "Leadership & Management of Safeguarding".

Thursday 11 October 2018, 09:30 to 11:30, South Fens Business Centre. Prices starting from £65 per head.

[Transforming into a Learning Environment \(KS1 and 2\)](#)

Select "Developing Teaching & Learning".

Friday 19 October 2018, 09:00 to 12:00 (KS2), 13:00 to 16:00 (KS1) at Bewick Bridge Primary School. Prices starting from £65 per head.

[Primary Science Conference](#)

Friday 19 October 2018, 09.00 to 15.30, Swavesey Village College. £95 per delegate.

[Reducing Teacher Workload](#)

Tuesday 30 October 2018, 13.00 to 15.30, Bewick Bridge Primary School, Cherry Hinton, Cambridge.

[Building Leadership Capacity \(for DHTs and AHTs\)](#)

Tuesday 30 October 2018, 09.00 to 12.00, Bewick Bridge Primary School, Cherry Hinton, Cambridge.

[Early Years and Childcare Service `Just Play Conference 2018`](#)

Saturday 10 November 2018, 08.45 to 15.00 at Swavesey Village College, CB23 3RS
Keynote speaker, Meynell Walter, to explore `what makes a playworker different?`, drawing out the essence of playwork practice. Click to find out pricing details, and to book.

[What should children learn? A conference hosted by Jesus College Intellectual Forum](#)

Thursday 1 November 2018, 12.15 to 19.00, Frankopan Hall, West court, Jesus College, CB5 8BL.

[Working with Children and Young People who Self Harm](#)

Wednesday 23 January 2019, 09.30 to 16.00, Cambridge Professional Development Centre.

[Loss and Separation](#)

Thursday 31 January 2019, 09.30 to 12.30, Huntingdon Primary School Development Centre.

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