



North West

Learning Partnership

Fomerly St Helens Teaching School Alliance

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Autumn Newsletter

September 2019

The St Helens TSA is re-branding!

The teaching school will now operate under the new name:
North West Learning Partnership

We have taken this decision for the following reasons:

- We work with schools (all phases) across the NW region, not solely St Helens' schools.
- We are the lead school for NW Maths Hub 3 as such the name of the teaching school fits this more readily.
- We are now offering programmes for other school practitioners not just teachers i.e. pastoral and administration staff.

In 2019-20 and beyond we are extending our School Direct Programmes this will include: Early years, Primary (General-salaried and non-salaried routes) and Primary with Maths and Secondary Maths and MFL non-salaried. NWLP suits the UCAS system better when searching for the range of programmes available.

The new website address is:

<http://www.northwestlearningpartnership.co.uk>

Schools' News

SBM network feedback: "I would like to thank the St Helens TSA for organising such useful meetings. It is great to meet with like-minded colleagues, we don't often get the chance. The last meeting was particularly useful. We used GD Funding and got £10,000 for our new garden area from National Lottery Funding! Thank you to Debbie for facilitating the meetings. I am looking forward to being part of this group in 2019-20. "

St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School, part of the **Three Saints Academy Trust** is delighted to announce that they have achieved **Artsmark Gold**. The assessor reported: *"Your children and young people are offered equal opportunity to plan, experience, participate in, and evaluate a broad range of high-quality arts and cultural activities, and you recognise the importance of development opportunities delivered by specialists for your staff that have measurable effects in these areas. You engage with a range of arts and cultural organisations and other settings, and can evidence the positive impact of these partnerships. Your children and young people have an opportunity to further develop their knowledge, skills and understanding of arts and culture, and you are working to share the good practice you have established."* Many congratulations to all involved - fantastic news!

St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School, part of the **Three Saints Academy Trust** is proud to announce that they have achieved **Gold Status** in the **Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental**

Health in Schools in association with Minds Ahead. As a result, North West Learning Partnership (Formally St Helens TSA) has been selected to be a Strategic Partner with Leeds Carnegie and will be delivering a full Mental Health

and well being programme to schools in 2019-20 - watch this space!!



School Direct

Becoming a Teacher with North West Learning Partnership

To date, **St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary Alliance** will have trained 72 Primary trainees resulting in high employment rate with a 50% early deployment rate over the past few years. The success of the programme is largely due to the Strategic Partner Head Teachers and talented staff within their schools that give up a vast amount of their time to deliver training and mentor trainees. We have extremely talented SLEs that also support the programme.

In 2018-19 we had 15 trainees that successfully completed the programme and have just started their NQT year- we wish them the all the very best. They will continue to be supported by our partnership by accessing our NQT Programme.



Why choose St Mary and St Thomas' CE Primary school?

We are the lead school for **North West Learning Partnership and NW Maths Hub 3**.

Primary General Non-Salaried Route

We offer a unique Primary General Teacher training programme. The outstanding lead alliance school supported by our Strategic Partner schools deliver our high quality programme. The programme has been quality assured by a number of external agencies as a result the alliance provision continues to be graded as 'Outstanding'. The North West Learning Partnership continues to be above the National norm for School Direct provision and are classed as a high flying alliance in terms of numbers of applications and successful recruitment.

School Direct is a one year teacher training programme for graduates. Schools work in collaboration with Liverpool John Moores University to provide high quality training. Training with the **North West Learning Partnership** means you become a staff member from day one whilst receiving academic and University support. Student feedback is key to ensuring quality and is paramount to ensuring the quality of our programme. Training is provided by Serving Head Teachers, Senior Leaders, SLEs/ PDLs and other specialists in their field based at our Strategic Partner schools. We are committed to ongoing development of all trainees for at least 3 years. Trainees have access, free of charge, to our highly effective NQT and RQT programmes.

Apply for this training programme through UCAS: <http://www.ucas.com>

Training Provider **13N** | Course code **DF23**

Primary General Salaried Route

This salaried School Direct programme is suitable for experienced, non teaching staff and career changers. Applicants are recommended to have the support of a school. The trainee is employed by a school as a non qualified teacher for one academic year. The school can also potentially, benefit financially from "growing their own". The trainee teacher receives a personal training programme, accessing our outstanding training at the **North West Learning Partnership** and gains a PGCE with Masters credits and QTS at Liverpool John Moores University. The training takes place half a day a week whilst the trainee can teach in school for up to 80% of the timetable.

Salaried trainees normally complete a postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE) with QTS. This qualification includes 60 credits at Masters level.

Apply for this training programme through UCAS: <http://www.ucas.com>

Training Provider **13N** | Course code **3BFS**

Primary General with Mathematics Specialism

Due to our affiliation with North West Maths Hub 3, we are excited to offer this Primary General with Mathematics Specialism in partnership with Liverpool John Moores University. Trainees will engage with our successful and unique Primary General Teacher Training programme with additional training units in mathematics delivered by our Teaching for Mastery specialists, maths PDLs and SLEs in addition to external experts.

Trinees will receive a PGCE with Masters credits and QTS.

Apply for this training programme through UCAS: <http://www.ucas.com>

Training Provider **13N** | Course code **SDKJ**

Secondary Mathematics

Due to the affiliation with Maths Hub NW3, we are excited to offer a School Direct Secondary Mathematics in school one year teacher training programme. You will be awarded PGCE with Masters credits and QTS. The course is offered by the lead schools Rainford High and Up Holland High in association with the North West Learning Partnership and Liverpool John Moores University. This unique training programme offers exciting opportunities to be involved in:

- Training with high quality relevant professionals with an outstanding track record for delivering the highest grades for young people at Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5.
- Opportunity for leadership training and development of strategic curriculum design.
- Commitment to develop examination expertise at KS4 and KS5
- Teaching opportunity across KS2,3, 4 and 5.
- Subject specific and career impacting professional development
- High quality subject specific CPD opportunities with nationally recognised speakers
- High quality guest speakers to support pedagogical and subject specialism
- The discussion club focused on high quality academic research linked to educational discussion at some of the leading local restaurants and venues through out the year.

Apply for this training programme through UCAS: <http://www.ucas.com>

Training Provider **13N** | Course code **JL80**

Secondary MFL

Due to the expertise of trainers and staff in our Lead Secondary schools, we are excited to offer our PGCE with Masters credits and QTS in MFL. The course is offered by the lead schools Rainford High and Up Holland High in association with the North West Learning Partnership and Liverpool John Moores University. Due to the outstanding teaching in our schools, results in MFL are significantly above national average and both schools offer unique and dynamic training and teaching opportunities for the right aspirational initial teacher training candidates.

- Training with high quality relevant professionals with an outstanding track record for delivering the highest grades for young people at Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 as well as delivering exceptional transition for young people.
- Opportunity for leadership training and development of strategic curriculum design.
- Commitment to develop examination expertise at KS4 and KS5
- The opportunity to take part in cultural language exchange visits and programmes.
- Teaching opportunity across KS2,3, 4 and 5.
- Subject specific and career impacting professional development. Such as high quality subject specific CPD opportunities with nationally recognised guest speakers to support pedagogical and subject specialism.
- The discussion club focused on high quality academic research linked to educational discussion at some of the leading local restaurants and venues through out the year

Apply for this training programme through UCAS: <http://www.ucas.com>

Training Provider **13N** | Course code **SD90**

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For further details of all programmes please see our website:

<http://www.northwestlearningpartnership.co.uk/index.php/workstreams/school-direct>



NQT Training with North West Learning Partnership

committed to ongoing excellence!

We offer a full Primary Programme with EYFS sessions built in. SLEs, school leaders and experts in their field deliver this highly effective programme.

The Primary programme has continued to be a high quality programme with 35 teachers enrolled for 2019-20.

The full Primary programme for 2019-20 is here:

<http://bit.ly/2P17uFO>



Primary NQT/RQT Conference

Making the most out of your 1st Year!

Wednesday 9th October 2019

8.45-3.30pm

The St Helens Hotel, Linkway West, St Helens, WA10 1NG

Sessions include:

Behaviour Management Strategies - Jason Bangbala, Behavioural expert

Mathematics - Raising the bar! - Tara Loughran, mathematics consultant.

English- Raised Expectations - Maddy Barnes, English Project Manager North West Learning Partnership

SEND provision - managing pupils with additional needs in the mainstream classroom, practical strategies and solutions - Zena Martin, SEND specialist.

The conference is **FREE** to all North West Learning Partnership members



Secondary NQT Maths - Early Career Development Programme

Support to teachers in their early career is very often focussed on generic teaching strategies to assist with lesson delivery and managing workload in a setting with a mixture of subject areas. Schools are increasingly pushed for time and departmental time is not always available for pedagogy support to those that need it the most. This programme would focus specifically on breaking down a scheme of work and looking at the fine progression through the topic areas – how to effectively plan a unit of work to include ample assessment opportunities, including planning for questioning.

Participants will take the topic and look at the progress from EYFS to KS3 and how to plan a unit of work effectively.

The models shared will include CPA, problem solving, mathematical reasoning and a variety of assessment techniques.

Gap task – participants will be required to complete a gap task activity in their own classroom focussed on an aspect of the planning covered in the workshop.

Topics covered will be – Calculation, Fractions & Decimals, Percentages, Manipulation of basic algebra, Ratio, Area

Autumn Term Dates:

Session 1: Thursday 3rd October 2019, 1-4pm

Session 2: Wednesday 13th November 2019, 1-4pm

Venue: TBC

Continued Professional Development

To book places on any event contact:
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Developing Professional Learning Communities

Primary English Subject Leader meetings

Wednesday 23rd October 2019 9.30-3.30pm

St Helens Hotel, Linkway West, St Helens

Updates from the 2018-19 assessments Implications for teaching to prepare for 2019-20

Guest speaker: Shakespeare for Schools Company

Focus: Drama

Facilitator: Maddy Barnes

Free to all members

Primary Maths Subject Leader meetings

Friday 27th September 2019 9.00am – 3.30pm

St Helens Hotel, Linkway West, St Helens

Implications of 2018-19 tests; Mathematical updates and current thinking.

Tara Loughran and Lisa Bradshaw

Mathematics and SEND and an overview of the Intervention in a Mastery context programme as delivered by NW Maths Hub 3

Session delivered by Linda Lavagna-Slater

Free to all members

Primary Science Subject Leader meetings

Tuesday 5th November 2019 - 9.00-3.00pm

The World of Glass, St Helens

Keep up to date with new initiatives in science education,

Share ideas and good practice with other science subject leaders,

Reflect on what is already going on in your school and find ways of moving your school forward

Facilitators: Lisa Henthorn and Julie Burger

Free to all members

Computing Subject Leaders

Friday 18th October 2019 1.30 – 3.30pm

Rainford High School, Saint Helens

Agenda - as requested from previous sessions

'Intro to Programming' and making some projects in python

Algorithms, problem solving, sorting and searching algorithms

Block based programming in scratch - creating a game covering programming concepts

How data is represented in a computer (Images, Letters, Sound, Numbers)

Facilitators: Emma Greenough - Primary Computing SLE and David Williams - Secondary ICT Lead

Free to all members

School Business Managers and Administrators Network

Thursday 3rd October 2019 1:30pm—3.30pm

St Helens TSA POD, St Mary and St Thomas CE Primary School, WA10 2HS

Day 1 Focus: TBC

Target Audience: School Business Managers, Administrators, Clerical staff
Facilitator: Debbie Bennett

Free to all members

EYFS Leadership Network

Led by Hayley Wynne (EY2P)

Monday 11th November 2019 – 1pm to 4pm

Queens Park CE/URC Primary School, Rivington Road, St Helens, WA10 4NQ

Provide guidance on monitoring and improving the quality of early years provision, within: Outcomes for Children Quality of teaching, learning and assessment; Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare; Leadership and Management

Share updates on current national priorities

Provide requested CPD focus (based on delegate evaluations)

Provide networking opportunities to share good practice and discuss implications for your school

Secondary Maths Heads of Department Meetings

This is an opportunity for all **Heads of departments** to come together to review and share approaches to current national and local initiatives.

St Helens & Sefton - Thursday 7th November 2019

Rainhill High School, Warrington Rd, Rainhill, Prescot L35 6NY

Wigan meetings - Tuesday 8th October 2019

Byrchall CPD Centre, Warrington Rd, Ashton-in-Makerfield, Wigan WN4 9PQ

Liverpool & Knowsley - Tuesday 15th October 2019

The Fire Service HQ & Conferencing, Bridle Rd, Bootle, L30 4YD

PRU/Special School - Wednesday 9th October 2019

Oakfield High School, Long Ln, Hindley Green, Wigan WN2 4XA

Further details: <http://bit.ly/2MqBgBI>

Full details of all our learning networks are here: www.northwestlearningpartnership.co.uk/index.php

To book places on any event contact:
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North West Learning Partnership Courses Autumn 1 (2019-20)

Maths

Implications of the Mathematics Tests Post 2018

Tuesday 17th September 2019 8.30 - 11am

Teaching Times Tables - Preparing to Test

LKS2: Tuesday 24th September 2019 9.00-12 noon

UKS2: Tuesday 24th September 2019 1 - 4pm

Planning Differentiation and Challenge - Year Group Mathematics Support

1st session - Y1 25th Sept 9 - 3.30pm

For full details of all our maths CPD visit:

<http://bit.ly/2ZbXFor>

Primary Excellent Maths Teacher Programme

These sessions are aimed at excellent maths teachers/subject leaders/SLEs/PDLs who have the potential and drive to achieve excellence in maths practice and the ability to develop others.

7 full day sessions to include:

- What does outstanding maths practice look like?
- Developing problem solving, reasoning and fluency throughout the primary phase
- SKE and pedagogical understanding of place value, number, calculation, algebra and fractions
- Effective monitoring to determine impact
- Tracking of progress and skills to inform action planning and next steps
- Exploring and developing assessment
- Providing effective feedback
- Lesson structures, planning and questioning

Delegates will be involved in 4 'Gap tasks' linked to practice in their own schools.

Session 1: Thursday 19th September 2019

Session 2: Monday 11th November 2019

Venue: The St Helens Hotel, Linkway West, St Helens

Find out more here: <http://bit.ly/2TJ7cSB>

Primary Excellent English Teacher Programme

These sessions are aimed at excellent English teachers/subject leaders/SLEs/PDLs who have the potential and drive to achieve excellence in English practice and the ability to develop others.

7 full day sessions to include:

What does outstanding English practice look like?

Early steps in reading: Developing strategies to support early reading and phonic skills

I can 'really read': Exploring the skills involved in teaching comprehension at KS1 (comprehension, analysis)

I can comprehend: Using/choosing high-quality texts to engage readers and writing question mats at KS1 and KS2

Writing: from early mark-making to end of KS1 expectation

Writing: understanding purpose and audience in KS2; progression of writing and how to assess writing with a consistent approach

Delegates will be involved in 4 'Gap tasks' linked to practice in their own schools.

Day 1- Thursday 19th September 2019

Day 2- Thursday 5th December 2019

All Sessions will take place from 9.30-3.30pm at

Wrightington Country Club, Mos Lane, Wrightington, Wigan WN6 9PB

Find out more here: <http://bit.ly/31P94Mx>

English

Implications for Teaching English (Reading and Writing) Post 2018

Wednesday 9th October 2019 9.30 - 11.30am

Why and How Do We Use Dialogue?

LKS2 Wednesday 18th September 2019 9.30 - 3.30pm

UKS2 Friday 20th September 2019 9.30 - 3.30pm

Reciprocal Reading

Wednesday 25th September 2019 1 - 4pm

Embedding a Culture of Talk - Oracy in the Classroom

Thursday 3rd October 2019 9.30 - 3.30pm

Using High Quality Texts to Teach the Trickiest Aspects of Grammar and to Write for a range of Purposes (and Audiences)

1st session - Y1 Thursday 26th September 2019 9.30 - 12.30

Find out more here: <http://bit.ly/2HdBYhg>

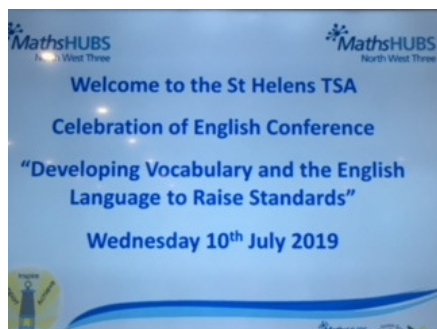
The full CPD programme for 2019-20

<http://bit.ly/33HyKwI>

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Celebration of English Conference



The St Helens TSA hosted a second Celebration of English Conference on Wednesday 10th July 2019 at Anfield Football Stadium, Liverpool.

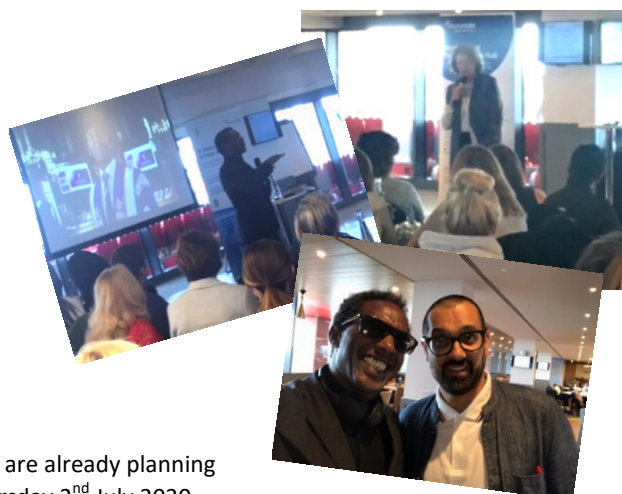
The conference, once again was a huge success with 252 Primary and Secondary subject leaders and SLT members attending the event hosted by Maddy Barnes.



Key notes included: Michael Rosen, Lemn Sissay, Mary Myatt and Darren Chetty speaking passionately, sharing their experiences on developing vocabulary and the English language to raise standards.



The celebration started in a lively fashion with teachers involved in Bhangra dancing!



SAVE THE DATE

As a result of such wonderful feedback we are already planning the 2019-20 conference to be held on Thursday 2nd July 2020. Speakers to be confirmed soon - **SAVE THE DATE!**

Whole School Curriculum Development Opportunities (New for 2019-20)

Building a rich curriculum that meets the needs of your setting

The workshops are being facilitated by **Debra Kidd**. Debra trained as an English and Drama teacher, and has worked with every age group from nursery through to Post Graduate and still enjoys working with teachers and children every day. She has written a number of books and is the co-founder of Northern Rocks. The workshops will take place across 2 consecutive dates and are aimed at whole school participation.

Day 1:

Wednesday 16th October

SLT briefing (9-12 noon)

EYFS practitioners (1-4pm)

Thursday 17th October

KS1 session (9-12 noon)

KS2 session (1-4pm)

It is hoped that by the end of the two days schools will have reviewed, evaluated, created and/or developed a rich curriculum that meets the needs of the individual settings.

For full details of the programme please see the information here: <http://bit.ly/2ILMh4g>



Zoo Project

The North West Learning Partnership will be working with IGNITE TSA in 2019-20 on the exciting 'Zoo Project'. The project ran in 2018 -19 across a number of schools with huge impact. The project is linked to enhancing and developing a rich, exciting curriculum.

For full details of the programme please see the information here: <http://bit.ly/2IJ16oz>

Leadership Opportunities

NLEs (National Leaders in Education)

We currently have 2 NLEs working with the North West Learning Partnership.

LLE (Local Leaders in Education)

We now have 4 active primary and secondary LLEs working with the North West Learning Partnership.

Accredited Leadership Programmes:

The North West Learning Partnership is an affiliate hub partner with Best Practice Network (OLP). We have delivered NPQSL (National Professional Qualification for Senior Leadership) and NPQML (National Professional Qualification for Middle Leadership) for 6 years.

Groups running in 2019-20 include:

NPQML

Day 1 - 17th January 2020; Day 2 - 20th March 2020; Day 3 - 3rd July 2020

Facilitator(s): Jan Holmes and Melanie Ravenscroft

Venue: TBC

NPQSL

Day 1 - 14th January 2020; Day 2 - 10th March 2020; Day 3 - 30th June 2020

Facilitator(s): Simon Hanley and Ian Young

Venue: TBC

Autumn term 2019-20 recruitment round still open.

Candidates can apply at the following links for future rounds:

NPQML: <http://outstandingleaders.org/qualifications/npqml>

NPQSL: <http://outstandingleaders.org/qualifications/npqsl>

When applying please state on the application form that you wish to attend face-to-face sessions with the North West Learning Partnership - see instructions below:

Applicants completing their programme application are asked to identify whether they have been recommended by one of BPN's delivery partners. If they have, then they will be asked to identify the partner from a drop down list, and then to enter that partner's 'partner allocation code'.

The partner allocation code is: **STHN-TSA**

This programme costs £950 which is paid directly to Best Practice Network. Best Practice Network (BPN) and the Outstanding Leaders Partnership (OLP) will be able to offer scholarships to candidates from 12 opportunity areas and the category 5 and 6 local authority districts. To see if candidates from your schools will be eligible for scholarships, please visit their website.

For further information contact BPN on 0117 9209 424 or email cpd@bestpracticenetwork.co.uk

NPQH - For further information visit:
www.bestpracticenetwork.co.uk

Pupil premium Reviewers:

16 Head teachers from the North West Learning Partnership are trained to carry out Pupil Premium reviews.

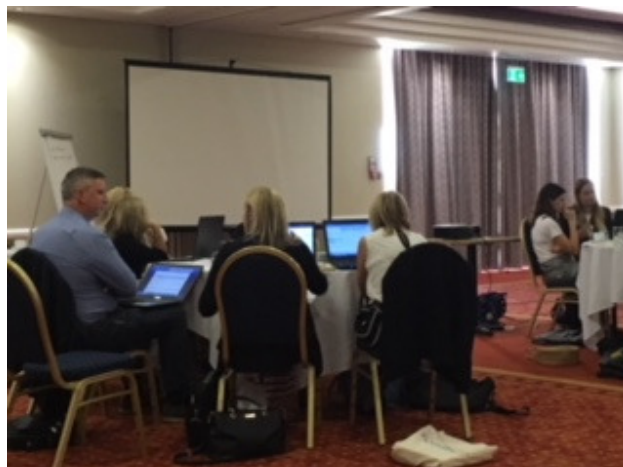
To commission this supportive review please contact Lisa Bradshaw.

School to School Support

We have supported a large number of primary and secondary schools in St Helens, Halton, Bolton, Knowsley, Wigan, Liverpool, Cheshire, Sefton and Warrington delivering in-house CPD sessions. These have included twilights and staff insets linked to Maths, English (reading, writing, SPAG), MFL, RE, computing, safeguarding, assessment, transition EYFS and science. We have a team of SLEs and other specialist practitioners that support our work.

Intensive support packages have also included moderation and standardisation of pupils work/planning and quality of provision. We have completed audits; support for teaching and learning including the use of questioning skills, effective deployment of adults and resources and use of ongoing assessments- tracking and target setting. We have a team of senior leaders including LLEs and NLEs that complete teaching and learning evaluations and pupil premium reviews.

All offers are bespoke. Please contact Lisa Bradshaw if you would like to create a bespoke offer to meet the needs of your school.



Leadership Briefings Autumn 2019-20

Implications of the Mathematics tests post 2018-19

Tara will unpick the 2019 KS2 test scripts, assessment and reporting structures and how this will inform future practice and looking at how schools can be better prepared for 2020.

Tara Loughran

Tuesday 17th September 2019 8.30-11.00am at The St Helens Hotel, Linkway West, St Helens, WA10 1NG

This session is FREE of Charge for all North West Learning Partnership partners and members and is £50 for non-members. The session includes: bacon butties on arrival, planning, preparation and delivery, all course materials and refreshments.

Implications for teaching English (Reading and Writing) post 2018

This session will focus on exploring the tests and recent updates on KS1/2 provision and preparation for whole school structures for 2020.

Maddy Barnes

Wednesday 9th October 2019 9.30 - 11.30am Venue: The World of Glass, Chalon Way, St Helens

This session is FREE of Charge for all North West Learning Partnership partners and members and is £50 for non-members. The session includes: planning, preparation, delivery and all course materials and refreshments.

Head Teachers compliance briefing (in association with ECM)

The session will focus on the following:

Termly updates on current National and local leadership initiatives/curriculum updates and OFSTED agendas

*Content may change as new information/guidance is released

Tuesday 8th October 2019 1.30 - 3.30pm at The World of Glass, Chalon Way, St Helens

This session is FREE of Charge for all North West Learning Partnership partners and members and is £75 for non-members. The session will include all course materials and tea/coffee/biscuits.

Mental Health and Well-being Conference on World Mental Health Day

Thursday 10th October 2019: 8.30 - 4.30pm DW Stadium – Wigan

Limited places available - book now

Key notes to include: Jaz Ampaw Farr, Resilience Ninja , International Speaker, Author, TV Presenter; Professor Jonathan Glazzard , Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health in Schools at Leeds Beckett University.

Workshops to include: Lynsey Tidbury – Self Care Strategies in Managing Stress; Gemma Fieldsend - Eating Disorders/Self Harm; Mermaids UK – Gender ID; Youth Mental Health Matters - Impact of Social Media on Mental Health in Children and Young People

In addition, there will be information on how to gain the School Mental Health Award – Carnegie Centre of Excellence and a number of exhibitors.



Schools Mental Health Package in association with Leeds Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health in Schools and Minds Ahead

We are delighted to announce that North West Learning Partnership will be offering the following training to ALL schools across the NW region, special discounts will be given to members of the NWLP:

Pastoral Leadership Programme for Middle Leaders - 2 days

Mental Health designated leads training

Supporting Schools to achieve the School Mental Health Award

Governors support package - 2 days: Creating and assigning link governor roles to individual members of a governing board is an effective way to ensure governance remains strategic and focussed on key issues. This programme available to governors will support the development of a mental health and wellbeing lead governor and whole governing body approach to the school's mental health agenda.

Further details about the package will be announced at the Mental Health Conference.

All training will commence in January 2020.

SLEs - Specialist Leaders in Education

We now have 35 active SLEs (Primary, Secondary and Special phases) and 5 PDLs (Professional Development Leads - Maths).

We are an accredited teaching school provider able to deliver the **SLE Mandatory Training**.

The areas covered by our SLEs are: Maths (primary and secondary), English (primary and secondary), Computing (including digital literacy and media), Science (primary and secondary), Early years, NQTs/ITT, Leadership of the curriculum, attendance, SEND, Behaviour and safety, attendance and welfare, School Business Management, closing the gap (diminishing differences), catering for the higher attainers (previously G&T), MFL, RE and Physical Education.

Bespoke offers can be created for single or cluster school events. Please contact Lisa Bradshaw for further details.

SLE development opportunities- we are committed to the ongoing development of SLEs that work on behalf of our alliance. The SLEs have 'team away days' led by national and international experts in their field. This supports them to engage in up to date current thinking and supports them in developing and deploying these strategies when supporting schools and delivering professional development.

Pen portraits of SLEs can be seen here: <http://bit.ly/2kvfnFb>

SLE and Middle Leaders Conference

The **North West Learning Partnership** would like to give all **SLEs (Primary and Secondary) and/or Middle Leaders** the opportunity to attending a **Leading Learning Development Conference**.

Wednesday 2nd October 2019: 9.30-1.30pm (a light lunch will be provided)

Focus: Making sense of metacognition for learners and teachers.

In this morning workshop we will have two focus areas:

Understanding and planning for metacognitive teaching and learning strategies.

Developing an SLE coaching model of teacher development for enhanced pedagogy.

The session will be delivered by: Professor Rachel Lofthouse, Professor of Teacher Education and Director of CollectivEd, The Mentoring and Coaching Hub

<http://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/riches/our-research/professional-practice-and-learning/collectived/>

Carnegie School of Education, Leeds Beckett University.

2.30-3.30pm: updates, developments and changes to the SLE role.

Venue: The World of Glass, Chalon Way E, Saint Helens WA10 1BX.

ALL North West Learning Partnership SLEs are invited to the conference FREE of CHARGE

Non-North West Learning Partnership members welcome - £50.00 charge applies

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Visit the North West Learning Partnership website: www.northwestlearningpartnership.co.uk
for full programme details.

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Writing Moderation Tool Kit



The Writing tool kit is currently being used by schools to support moderation and standardisation. It supports teachers in all year groups to cross moderate (against national standards) with teacher guidance notes and supports pupils to identify features of a good piece of writing at all stages.

The resource has been quality assured by a team of English Advisors, English SLEs and Prim-Ed team publishing company to ensure it is of a high standard.

This is available for all schools to purchase via Prim-Ed: <http://www.prim-ed.com/webshop/English/Writing/Teachers-Moderation-Toolkit>

There are two versions of the exemplification materials: those that are annotated with references to the national curriculum, and those that are not annotated, for CPD use or to share with children.

Once purchased, the Teacher's Moderation Toolkit is available as an e-book which maximises the opportunities it can be used for.

The Teacher Moderation Toolkit (written in conjunction with many North West Learning Partnership schools) was nominated and shortlisted for an **ERA (Education Resource Award)** this year. The books were selected for 'Best Primary Resource' - a category very difficult to be short listed for and we have received a new logo to demonstrate this achievement. The awards took place on Friday March 22nd at The British Motorcycle Museum in Birmingham. Maddy Barnes was there, hoping that we would win! Unfortunately, we were pipped at the post and awarded a '**Highly Commended**' award instead. The judges spoke very highly about the resource as it continues to be a '**real go-to for teacher assessment of writing.**' Many thanks to all the teachers and SLEs involved in the consultation of these books.



As requested by Head teachers and English SLs across the NW region we held **Writing Moderation Toolkit Road Shows** in Knowsley, Wigan and Sefton in the summer term.

Delegates received a FREE book and the training included staff development on how to use the resource whilst moderating their own books, subject knowledge and pedagogical understating of what is involved when assessing/moderating a piece of writing at the different levels, how to standardise against national criteria.

"When the 2014 curriculum was introduced, some teachers felt unsure of the expectations within each year group. The toolkit has changed this. Quickly, teachers have a point of reference – a comparative tool".

Connor Lavin - Deputy Headteacher.



Read the blog post here <https://www.prim-ed.co.uk/blog/post/teacher-s-moderation-toolkit---2019-era-shortlisted-finalist/>
The RRP per book is £34.95; however, if you order through Luke at Prim-ed, he can offer all three of them to you for just £99.99!

To order, please call 020 3773 9620 or email luke@prim-ed.com for you to receive the reduced price.

After the success of last term's roadshows, new dates and venues will be announced soon.



Being Part of the North West Learning Partnership

We now have 11 strategic partners and 38 primary members (1xSecondary, 1xspecial school and 1x HEI) from across a range of sectors including Academies, Church Schools and Community schools.

Localities:

23 St Helens, 10 Wigan/Bolton/Manchester, 10 Knowsley/Liverpool and 6 Halton.

Benefits of being a member of the North West Learning Partnership include:

- Free Head teacher and senior leadership briefings including an annual conference
- NQT package
- Attendance at termly Mathematics and English subject leader workshops (usually £900)
- Attendance at Science subject leader network, Computing Subject Leader Network, School Business Manager Network
- 20% off School to School support packages
- 25% off CPD opportunities
- Free ½ day consultation to formulate a bespoke package of training for your school or a cluster of schools
- An opportunity to engage in Research and Development activities of the alliance linked to National priorities i.e. Maths Hub Work and Closing the Gap projects
- To be kept abreast of all current initiatives and educational updates via the Teaching School and Maths Hub mailing list and access to all areas via the North West Learning Partnership website
- SEND toolkit package in association with Inclusive learning partnership
- School Direct Student attached to your school - salaried and non-salaried routes including secondary and primary with maths are now available

New additions for 2019-20:

- Mental Health and Wellbeing package including conference
- Developing a rich exciting curriculum to meet the development needs of all learners packages



Want to keep up with opportunities and events from North West Learning Partnership? Sign up for our mailing list.

<http://eepurl.com/du2ifH>

The name has changed, but the mailing list is the same, so if you have already signed up, you do not need to do so again.

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.

Albert Einstein