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Regional School Effectiveness &  
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# GwE Bulletin

**\*\*\*YOU MUST REGISTER BY FRIDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2017 – [REGISTER HERE](#)\*\*\***

## Regional Conference for Primary Schools

VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO – TUESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2017

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

- **Chris Boardman MBE** – Britain's first Olympic cycling gold medallist in 72 years;
- **Gervase Phinn** – Lecturer, broadcaster and writer and previously School Adviser.

GwE will be holding a Conference for Primary Headteachers and Deputy Headteachers at Venue Cymru in Llandudno, North Wales on Tuesday, 26 September 2017.

The purpose of the conference is to listen to the voice of Headteachers and their staff in order to jointly address strategic and operational planning so that we can tailor specific support to further raise standards in our schools.

To register for the Conference, please, [follow this link](#).

For further information, [click here](#).

## Newly Qualified Teachers (NQTs)

### [Training for Newly Qualified Teachers \(NQTs\)](#)

[Click here](#) for information about training in your Authority.

### [Training for NQT School-Based Mentors on the New Standards](#)

[Click here](#) for information about training in your Authority.

## National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH)

The closing date for NPQH applications is **18 September (at 1:00pm)**.

[Click here](#) for more information on this year's timetable.

## Opportunities

### CURRENT VACANCIES WITH GwE

### [Challenge Adviser – Foundation Phase \(2 Posts\)](#) ★NEW★

- 1 x Conwy / Denbighshire

## Information for Primary Schools

### [Foundation Phase Profile](#) ★NEW★

Welsh Government have published a revised version of the 'Foundation Phase Profile Handbook' (September 2017).

Click on [this link](#) to receive a copy of the updated profile.

### [Professional Development for all Foundation Phase Teachers](#) ★NEW★

UNDERSTANDING CONCEPTS IN FOUNDATION PHASE  
MATHEMATICS, GARETH METCALFE

Gareth Metcalfe will be delivering mathematics workshops during the Autumn Term 2017/Spring Term 2018. The free workshops will be available for all FPh teachers and will take place over two half day sessions, to be attended by the same teacher, approximately one month apart. Spaces will be limited to one teacher per school in the first instance.

[Click here](#) for further information.

### [Into Film Training](#)

**THIS EVENT WILL BE DELIVERED IN WELSH.**

A great opportunity for KS2 teachers to receive training from Into Film on how to use film to develop digital competence and literacy skills. [Click here](#) to register.

## Information for Secondary Schools

### [GwE Regional Conference for Secondary](#)

- 1 x Gwynedd / Anglesey

[Click here](#) for the advert.

**CLOSING DATE: 10:00 O'CLOCK, THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2017**

## **New Assessors for the Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA)**

(AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SENIOR MANAGERS, TEACHERS OR TEACHING ASSISTANTS WITH HLTA STATUS)

GwE is seeking practitioners to join the team involved in the Higher Level Teaching Assistants (HLTA) Assessment Programme on behalf of the Welsh Government.

Please see [this advert](#) for further information.

## **EXTERNAL OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Additional Learning Needs Transformation Leads**

The Welsh Government are funding the recruitment of five Additional Learning Needs Transformation Leads to support local authorities, schools, early years settings, further education institutions and other delivery partners to prepare for and manage transition to the new ALN system. Find out more and how to [apply here](#).

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: FRIDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2017.**

### **Using Education Economics to Evaluate the Impact of Strategic Educational Improvement Programmes (PhD Scholarship)** ★NEW★

COLLABORATIVE INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION, RESEARCH EVIDENCE AND IMPACT (CIEREI); BANGOR UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS OF PSYCHOLOGY AND HEALTHCARE SCIENCE

[Click here](#) for further information.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: SATURDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**

## **School Headteachers**

### **EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION FOR CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT★NEW★**

**WEDNESDAY, 12 JULY 2017 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO**

Did you miss the event? Don't worry, [click here](#) to view the video from the day.

### **'Falcon Force' – F1 Team** ★NEW★

**YSGOL BRYNREFAIL, LLANRUG**

An all-girl team from Ysgol Brynregail, Llanrug, will represent Wales in a Formula One race for schools of model cars in Malaysia this September. [Click here](#) to continue reading about their success...

## **Poverty and Education Questionnaire** ★NEW★

### **RESEARCHING THE FACTORS AND EFFECTS OF POVERTY AND RURAL ISOLATION ON EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES**

The School of Education at Bangor University is conducting research commissioned by both ERW and GwE to investigate, review and analyse the effects of poverty and rural isolation on educational outcomes.

[Click here](#) to take part.

## **Estyn Inspections** ★NEW★

### **ESTYN INSPECTIONS HAVE CHANGED**

Schools and work-based learning providers will now be judged against five key areas.

Find out more by reading Estyn's brand-new [inspection framework and guidance](#).

Watch their [short animation](#) about how they've changed inspections.

## **Events**

### **The National Education Show**

**FRIDAY, 13 OCTOBER – 9:00AM - 5:30PM – CARDIFF CITY HALL**

The National Education Show will provide you with the knowledge, resources and expert guidance to inspire, empower and develop great learners.

[Click here for further information.](#)

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