



Gwasanaeth Effeithiolrwydd a
Gwella Ysgolion Rhanbarthol Gogledd Cymru

Regional School Effectiveness &
Improvement Service for North Wales

GwE Bulletin

Secondment Opportunities: Secondary Team

SECONDMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEADTEACHERS AND SENIOR LEADERS – WORKING AS PART OF A REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM

GwE is looking to appoint secondary headteachers and senior leaders to join the service on a full-time or part-time secondment basis.

Application letters including your CV are invited by 10:00am, Tuesday, 30 January 2018 to

anwengwilym@gwegogledd.cymru

For an informal discussion, please contact Elfyn Jones, Senior Lead – Secondary on 07557 759240 or e-mail

elfynjones@gwegogledd.cymru

For further information, follow [this link](#).

National Categorisation 2017-2018

The Regional Standardisation and Moderation process was completed in December to secure consistent implementation of the national categorisation system across all four regional consortia and their respective local authorities.

[Continue reading...](#)

Success for All Conference: Creating a Nurturing Culture in Schools

TUESDAY, 6 MARCH 2018 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

GwE will be holding a Conference to raise awareness of the key themes emerging in wellbeing in terms of supporting looked after children/vulnerable learners and links with raising achievements.

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

[The link to register is now live](#). Don't miss out!

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: 09/02/2018

Primary Training Opportunities

[Oracy@GwE](#) ★NEW★

"SPEAKING AND LISTENING ARE AT THE HEART OF LANGUAGE, NOT ONLY AS FOUNDATIONS FOR READING AND WRITING, BUT ALSO AS ESSENTIAL SKILLS FOR THINKING AND COMMUNICATION." EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION, 2015.

Applications are welcomed from schools to participate in a specialist lead project, **Oracy@GwE**, to increase the progress of children's learning through the development of Oracy. There will be a specific focus on *Talk for Maths*. This is an action based research project, fully funded by GwE's Literacy and Numeracy team.

CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, 5 FEBRUARY 2018

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

Secondary Training Opportunities

[Secondary Literacy Leaders' Network Meetings](#)

Local Literacy network meetings will be held this term for Literacy Leaders to share good practice and discuss future developments. [Click here](#) for dates and venues.

[Welsh Course](#)

WEDNESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2018 – GLASDIR, LLANRWST

A course for NQTs who teach Welsh, and also teachers who teach Welsh in addition to their specialist subject.

Contributors: Excellent practitioners from the region including Llio Japheth from Ysgol Dyffryn Conwy. There will be guidance on teaching oracy, reading and writing successfully.

To register, please contact eirianharris@gwegogledd.cymru

Only 20 spaces, so first come, first served....

Talk4Writing – Non-Fiction for Foundation Phase/KS2

This is an exciting opportunity for regional schools to catch up again with official licensed Talk4Writing training. [Click here](#) for further information.

Guided Reading and Cross-curricular Reading in KS2

This is an exciting chance for regional schools to take part in a training workshop aimed at updating and refreshing current Guided Reading, cross-curricular and higher order reading activities in KS2. [Continue reading...](#)

Primary Action Research – Engaging underachieving groups of learners within mathematics using IZak9

Applications are welcomed from individual schools/groups of schools/cluster of schools to participate in an exciting project using the commercial resource IZak9 to develop pupils' number fluency, problem solving skills and reasoning ability in an innovative and collaborative approach. [Continue reading here...](#)

CLOSING DATE: THURSDAY, 25 JANUARY 2018 *LAST CHANCE TO DECLARE INTEREST*

Standardisation, Moderation and the Next Steps in the FP

[Click here](#) to register and see a list of all the English medium workshops.

[Click here](#) for a list of Welsh medium workshops.

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: 5:00PM, 29 JANUARY 2018

Digital Competence

Registration is now live for our digital competence courses. [Click here](#) to see all the courses up to the end of March 2018.

Mr P Training for Foundation Phase

Teachers ★NEW★

FRIDAY, 23 MARCH 2018 – Tŷ MENAI, BANGOR – 9:00AM-4:00PM

GwE is offering Foundation Phase teachers the opportunity to attend a training day with the very popular Mr P. The day will be packed full of ideas specific to the Foundation Phase for how to enhance teaching and learning through the use of mobile technology and web based tools. [Click here](#) for further information and to register.

Digital Learning Event – Digimeet

Here's an excellent opportunity for all your staff to learn more about the latest developments in digital learning in an after school event. This is a Welsh medium event. [Click here](#) to register.

Falling in Love with the Arts Day 2

For Key Stage 2 Teachers

Following the great success of this event in 2017, here is another opportunity for Primary School Teachers to prepare for the New Creative Learning Curriculum. For further information, [click here](#).

Into Film Training

Into Film and GwE will be running a Welsh medium course on film creation for KS2 teachers. [Click here](#) to register.

Professional Development Opportunities

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR HLTAs AND TEACHING ASSISTANTS ACROSS WALES

A. “Communication, Teamwork and Leading Others,”

15 and 20 March 2018

New 1-day programme for teaching assistants and HLTAs who support and lead on school projects and/or manage others in the school.

For further details and to register, [click here](#).

B. HLTA Conference, 2 March 2018, Venue Cymru, Llandudno

Conference for teaching assistants [who already have HLTA status](#). An opportunity to get up-to-date information about: the National Professional Learning Pathway; professional status; TAs' roles; Curriculum for Wales and the new Standards.

There'll be no cost attached to attending the conference and supply costs will be paid.

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

Other Training Opportunities

Estyn Training for Existing Peer Inspectors

★ NEW ★

THURSDAY, 22 MARCH 2018 – LLYNDIR HALL, WREXHAM

A final opportunity for those who didn't attend Estyn update training last summer is being offered on 22 March for existing peer inspectors at either Llyndir Hall, Wrexham or Cardiff City Stadium. Estyn will only be able to deploy peer inspectors who have trained under the new inspection framework.

Registration details have been emailed to all eligible PIs, but if you haven't received them please contact events@estyn.gov.wales

‘Plan, Do, Review’

The Professional Learning Passport (PLP) is the ultimate platform for your professional learning. Launched by the Welsh Government (through the EWC) as the national, standardised e-portfolio, it may be used to record and reflect on your professional development.

This session, provided by the Education Workforce Council and open to all practitioners, will show you how to build a portfolio quickly and easily.

For more information, to register and to view the dates and venues, [click here](#).

An Introduction to Loss and Bereavement for Schools

TUESDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2018 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

1-day training event facilitated by Child Bereavement UK. The training will be an introduction to loss and bereavement with a focus on evidence-based interventions, and support schools can implement with learners.

[Click here](#) to register.

Digital Learning

National Digital Learning Event 2018 – NDLC Pupil Award

The National Digital Learning Event 2018 will once again be held in June.

[Click here to continue reading...](#)

Sexting: Responding to incidents and safeguarding learners. Guidance for educational settings in Wales

GwE would like to draw your attention to new bilingual guidance for schools and other educational settings in Wales which has been recently published entitled as above.

[Click here for further information...](#)

Adverts and News

[Go and See: First World War](#) ★NEW★

Go and See funding is now available for schools to access creative experiences for their learners, as part of a meaningful educational activity relating to First World War commemoration.

[Click here to continue reading...](#)

[Kier Construction School Information Survey](#)

Alan Waldron is a Desktop researcher for Construction Wales Innovation Centre (CWIC), based at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David (UWTSD). He is kindly asking for your participation in [this brief questionnaire](#), if possible, on behalf of Kier group.

For further information regarding the questionnaire, please [click here](#).

[BookTrust Cymru Oracy Projects](#)

[Click here](#) for a full update on the progress of BookTrust Cymru projects.

[The Welsh Heritage Schools Initiative – 2018](#)

The Initiative was launched in 1990, under the auspices of the Institute of Welsh Affairs. Its aim is to encourage young people in schools in Wales to take a greater interest in their heritage and the contribution made to it by their families and communities. The Initiative holds an annual competition for heritage projects in schools in Wales.

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

REGISTRATION OF ENTRIES BY: 2 FEBRUARY 2018

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