

Gwasanaeth Effeithiolrwydd a Gwella Ysgolion Rhanbarthol Gogledd Cymru

Regional School Effectiveness & Improvement Service for North Wales

### **GwE Bulletin**

## 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.

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### 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

## <u>Carrying Out Effective Learning Walks in</u> <u>Foundation Phase</u> ★NEW★

Workshop for Headteachers and Deputy Headteachers (suitable for individuals with KS2 teaching background or those who wish to receive further guidance about what is good or better standards and provision in the Foundation Phase).

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#### Oracy@GwE

"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**.

### <u>Talk4Writing – Non-Fiction for Foundation</u> <u>Phase/KS2</u>

### Secondary Training Opportunities

### Seize Your Global Future – It's Your Choice

#### **★NEW**★

The demand for languages in business is growing all the time. So give yourself a distinct career advantage. Learn to speak another language and gain the communication skills employers are looking for.

Click here for further information.

#### Beyond SEREN ★NEW★

MONDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2018 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO – 3:30PM-6:30PM

An event for SEREN y Gogledd Year 12 and 13 learners. 'Beyond SEREN', employment opportunities across north Wales, the north-west and nationally. Further details to follow...

#### **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 <a href="mailto:eirianharris@gwegogledd.cymru">eirianharris@gwegogledd.cymru</a> Only 20 spaces, so first come, first served....

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.

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#### **Digital Competence**

<u>Click here</u> to see all the courses up to the end of March 2018.

### Mr P Training for Foundation Phase Teachers

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.

### **Into Film Training**

Into Film and GwE will be running a Welsh medium course on film creation for KS2 teachers. <u>Click here</u> 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. <u>HLTA Conference</u>, 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.

### **Other Training Opportunities**

### **Estyn Training for Existing Peer Inspectors**

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"

WEDNESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2018 AND THURSDAY, 1 MARCH 2018

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 venues, **click here**.

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

For further details, 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.

### **Adverts and News**

### Go and See: First World War

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.

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### **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**

<u>Click here</u> 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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