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Towards Excellence

# GwE Bulletin



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## Our National Mission:

Celebrating Progress, Strengthening Capacity and Achieving  
Collective Engagement in Our Next Steps

📅 THURSDAY · 28 NOVEMBER 2019 · VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

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Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

Autumn Term Regional Conference in partnership with  
Welsh Government



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## GwE Offer on G6

As you know, the GwE Offer, which includes all the details of the professional development training that GwE offers over the next year, is now live on G6  
[<https://g6.gwegogledd.cymru>].

**To register to attend the training listed, all school staff will need to create a personal account on G6.**

This can be done by following [this link](#) and clicking on the 'Register Now' button. Please see the manuals [here](#).

**The dates/venues are subject to change. Please check G6 for the latest information before you attend any event.**

NOVEMBER	DATE	VENUE	MEDIUM
Conwy / Denbighshire / Anglesey / Gwynedd English A Level meeting - Autumn Term	27/11/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Conwy Denbighshire Autumn Term Physics Network Meeting	28/11/2019	Eirias School, Colwyn Bay	Bilingual
Gwynedd Anglesey Autumn Term Chemistry Network Meeting	28/11/2019	Ysgol Friars, Bangor	Bilingual
Flintshire Wrexham Autumn Term Biology Network Meeting	28/11/2019	Alun School, Mold	Bilingual
Practising Programme for Teaching Assistants (Cohort D - WELSH - Nefyn Golf Club)	28/11/2019	Nefyn & District Golf Club, Nefyn	Welsh
DECEMBER			
Drop-in Session [Colwyn Bay]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders On-line Development Tool	03/12/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	Bilingual
Drop-in Session [Mold]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders On-line Development Tool	04/12/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	Bilingual
Emotion Coaching for Schools	05/12/2019	Porth Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Drop-in Session [Caernarfon]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders On-line Development Tool	05/12/2019	GwE, Penrallt, Caernarfon	Bilingual
Drop-in Session [South Gwynedd]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders On-line Development Tool	09/12/2019	Venue to be confirmed	Bilingual

## Foundation Phase Network Meetings

The Foundation Phase Network Meetings will be held between 4:00 and 5:00pm at the following venues. There is no need to register.

VENUE	DATE	MEDIUM
Ysgol Nant y Groes	27/11/2019	English
Ysgol Godre'r Berwyn, Y Bala	27/11/2019	Welsh



## Professional Programmes

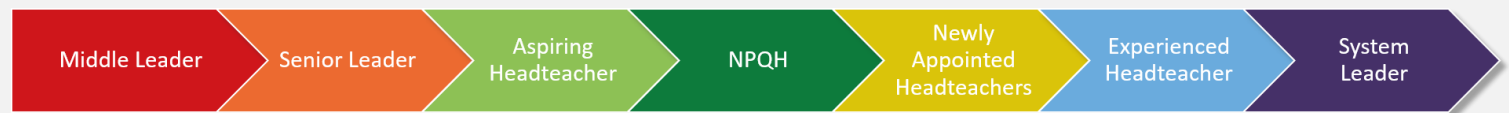
### National Aspiring Headteacher Development Programme – Preparing for NPQH

This one-year development programme is an exciting professional learning opportunity for experienced school leaders across Wales who wish to become headteachers in the near future. Completion of this programme is an expectation for all future NPQH applicants.

The programme will take place over a one-year period and requires a commitment of the equivalent of five days between January and December 2020.



[Click here for more information and dates of information](#)



## The New National Programme for Aspiring HLTA

The new Aspiring HLTA Programme [leading to HLTA assessment] will start in January 2020. Please view the video for further information regarding the new programme.

### Information Sessions

Information sessions will be held for TAs and their Headteachers/Managers. You are welcome to attend any of the sessions being held across the region.

**It is strongly recommended that your headteacher/line manager attends with you.**

[Click here for more information and dates of information sessions](#)

For further information, contact:

Marian Williams

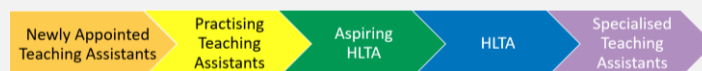
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To view the video, please click on the image.



## Miscellaneous Information and Surveys

### Qualification Wales would like to speak to teachers About non-examination assessment (NEA) in GCSEs



Qualification Wales are inviting teachers of the following GCSE subjects to participate in small group discussions about their perceptions and experiences of delivering and assessing non-examination assessment (NEA):

1. Design and Technology
2. Food and Nutrition
3. French, German and Spanish
4. History
5. Media Studies
6. Music
7. Welsh Second Language



Qualifications Wales will be facilitating subject-specific discussions in five locations across Wales between November 2019 and January 2020. If you teach the WJEC GCSE specification of one of these subjects at a maintained secondary school, further education (FE) college, Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) or independent school in Wales, Qualifications Wales would love to hear your views. More information on how to sign up to attend a focus group is available on Qualifications Wales' website [here](#).

# Conferences and Opportunities by Others

Please find below details of opportunities that you may find useful for your school. Please note that GwE does not necessarily endorse or quality assure the opportunities below. For any queries, please contact the organisations directly:

## Mantle of the Expert

1 WEDNESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2020

YSGOL CAE'R NANT, CONNAH'S QUAY

9:30—14:30

Open day to be held at Ysgol Cae'r Nant, Connaah's Quay. CH5 4QL. [Q A practitioner status].

See it in action day.

For further information:

01244 830708

karen.roberts@ycn.flintshire.sch.uk

**Course costs: £40 per head to be paid in advance of attendance. No lunch provided.**

Day includes:

Research into the pedagogy of MoE, examples of good practice and learning walk around school.

## Brookfield Primary School Ysgol Gynradd Cae'r Nant



## Clic-it Cymru

NEWS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN WALES

The latest issue of Y Cliciadur and Clic-it Cymru is available on the Hwb website.

[Click here for a copy](#)



## Digimeet

1 WEDNESDAY, 29 JANUARY 2020

BROUGHTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

16:00—17:30

Come and join us at Broughton Primary School for an informal meet up after school where you can move between tables in small groups to learn about implementing digital learning across the curriculum.

[Click here for more information and to book your place](#)

# Hwb

## Let Maths Take you Further

ONE-DAY CONFERENCE FOR ABLE YEAR 12 MATHEMATICS STUDENTS

1 TUESDAY, 17 DECEMBER 2019 BANGOR UNIVERSITY 9:30 - 14:00

The Further Mathematics Support Programme Wales is pleased to announce a one-day conference for able Mathematics students in Year 12. The emphasis will be that mathematics can be both fun and challenging and is a gateway to exciting university courses and a variety of careers.

Zoe Griffiths has agreed to deliver her entertaining talk on **Maths in the Simpsons** and there will be a series of workshops on challenging mathematics topics, where students will be in small groups.

We do hope that you will be able to bring a group of around 15 students who are taking A Level Mathematics or Further Maths. The day is intended to appeal to your brightest mathematicians in Year 12. Lunch will be provided for teachers. Children to bring packed lunch.

Please contact [e.w.clode@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:e.w.clode@bangor.ac.uk) for further information.

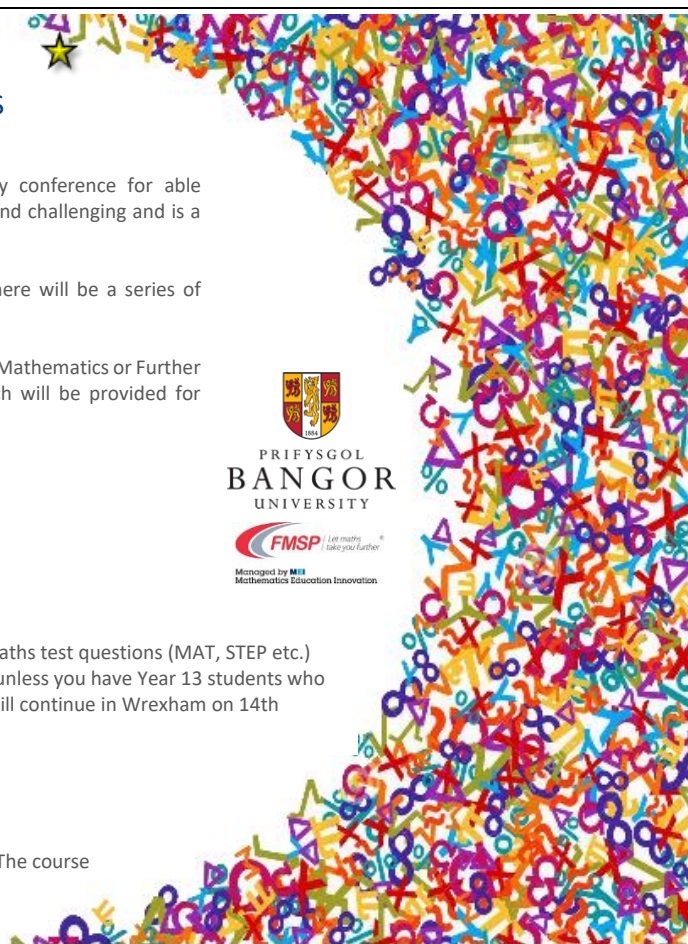
**Closing date for applications is Friday 29th November 2019**

## Year 12 and 13 Courses

The 'Solving Unusual Maths Problem' class for year 12, which prepares students for Year 13 Maths test questions (MAT, STEP etc.) will continue on 7th of December in Bangor. However, STEP **will not be** continuing in Bangor unless you have Year 13 students who are interested – please inform [e.w.clode@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:e.w.clode@bangor.ac.uk) by 29th November. STEP and SUMP will continue in Wrexham on 14th December.

## Professional Teaching for Teachers

A free FM 5 professional learning course will be offered to teachers in North Wales this term. The course can be delivered at your school during week days or at the University on Saturdays. Please contact [e.w.clode@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:e.w.clode@bangor.ac.uk) if you are interested.



## Book Sharing to Promote Language and Social-Emotional Skills 2020

Is your primary school looking to improve school readiness and relationships with parents?

Are you interested in becoming involved in a small pilot evaluation of a Book Sharing programme for parents?

If so, we invite you to join an exciting project...

If you are interested in joining this study, please email Claire Owen at [psu4ed@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:psu4ed@bangor.ac.uk) or telephone 01248 383758

[Click here for further information](#)



# Chief Executive



## NATIONAL ACADEMY FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP WALES

The Board is seeking a dynamic Chief Executive to build on and take forward the National Academy for Educational Leadership (Leadership Academy). The successful candidate will be an inspirational and credible leader who can demonstrate strategic leadership, excellent communication skills and an understanding of the needs of Wales and its education system.

The closing date for applications is 17 January 2020. Interviews will be held in Swansea on 5 and 6 February 2020.

[For further information and to apply, click here](#)



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## Senior Manager – Primary Sector (Secondment)

[Isle of Anglesey County Council]

CLOSING DATE: 29/11/2019

Isle of Anglesey County Council have an opportunity for a Senior Manager – Primary Sector to lead on all matters within the Learning Service in regards to standards, provision and leadership in the primary sector, and also to contribute to aspects of corporate duties and services within the service.



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ISLE OF ANGLESEY  
COUNTY COUNCIL

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## How could funding to undertake a research project transform your school?

NAEL HAVE LAUNCHED ENQUIRE, INNOVATE, EXPLORE! AND THEY WANT YOU TO APPLY!

The National Academy for Educational Leadership [the Leadership Academy] is inviting applications for funding of up to £10k as part of a pilot programme to support school leaders in Wales to encourage the effective use of research and enquiry within their organisations.

[FIND OUT MORE](#)



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National Academy for  
Educational Leadership Wales

## SECONDARY SCIENCE PGCE

### NEW SALARIED ROUTE: STARTING APRIL 2020

The Open University is working with the Welsh Government, Regional Consortia and partner schools across Wales on a new PGCE programme to launch in 2020.

A student teacher on our new salaried route will:

- study for their PGCE over 2 years
- be school-based full time, studying around their existing duties
- have their fees fully paid for.

A small number of places studying Secondary Science via this salaried route will start in April 2020.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE APRIL PILOT, PLEASE  
CONTACT SARAH STEWARD, PGCE DIRECTOR, AT:

[Wales-PGCE@open.ac.uk](mailto:Wales-PGCE@open.ac.uk)



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THESE PROGRAMMES  
AND TO REGISTER YOU'RE INTEREST, PLEASE CLICK  
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GwE Contact: [CeriWilliams3@gwegogledd.cymru](mailto:CeriWilliams3@gwegogledd.cymru)

## Denbighshire's Urdd National Eisteddfod - GET INVOLVED!

25 - 30 MAY 2020

One of Europe's largest annual youth touring festivals, the Urdd National Eisteddfod, will be held in Denbighshire next May. The six-day festival during Whitsun will be a celebration of Welsh culture for all the family. Get involved!

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

[FOR THE EISTEDDFOD SYLLABUS, CLICK HERE](#)



Urdd

## Microsoft 365 is now FREE to learners and teachers in Wales

Save money this Christmas! Simply log in to Hwb and download Office 365 [worth up to £69] on up to 15 of your personal devices.

Office includes: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Access, OneNote, Outlook and Skype for Business.

You can also access Minecraft Education Edition for free too!

Minecraft Education Edition is an open-world game that promotes creativity, collaboration, and problem-solving in an immersive environment.

[CLICK HERE TO GET YOUR SOFTWARE](https://hwb.gov.wales/microsoft)
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## So we're all teacher researchers now?

## How can mentoring help?

1 WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2019 📍 YSGOL LLANDDULAS, ABERGELE 🕒 17:00 – 19:00

This interactive workshop will explore key themes from research findings and create a space for free and frank debate focused on the value of research to inform and support educative mentoring to develop pedagogical practice in Wales.

The event will help participants to critique the 'what works' agenda and think strategically about the implications of research findings for achieving principled change in practice within their own education contexts – as teacher education providers and as school practitioners. Research extracts, quotations, data samples and tables would be used as sources to provoke participant responses and debate the contribution of the material to designing professional learning that can lead to improved outcomes for learners.

Through these activities, we will begin to address the conflicted understandings among stakeholders about 'research' and its potential to impact on teachers' practice for the benefits of learners, and the resources and sources of expertise required to support teachers and educational professionals as enquirers.

The session would draw on our research, broader pertinent research findings and studies, along with influential reports and professional research orientated blogs.


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