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GwE Bulletin



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Curriculum for Wales Development Programme



Today [28/01/2020], we welcome the publication of the revised Curriculum for Wales guidance. Following on from our [Briefing Note](#) shared with you last week, we are eager to remind and reassure you of the ongoing support available from each regional Consortium. As you are aware, this provision is available without charge. Its content reflects an agreed, consistent and effective approach in support of curriculum reform across Wales. Do please check our websites and email communication for regular updates. We look forward to working very closely with you during this exciting time for education in Wales. Thank you very much for your commitment and support.

CURRICULUM FOR WALES - HWB

BRIEFING NOTE



KS2/3 Moderation 2020

In accordance with statutory requirements, schools are required to arrange moderation meetings for Welsh, English, mathematics and science.

[Click here](#) to view the timetable.

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.

JANUARY 2020	DATE	VENUE	MEDIUM
Head of Mathematics Regional Meeting	30/01/2020	Glasdir, Llanrwst	Bilingual
Unearthing - Training for Schools	31/01/2020	Porth Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
FEBRUARY – EVENTS UP UNTIL HALF TERM			
1S: NQT Induction Training - Day 1 Secondary [English - St Asaph]	04/02/2020	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
Foundation Phase (for TAs - Coed y Brenin - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	04/02/2020	Coed y Brenin, Dolgellau	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - Coed y Brenin - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	04/02/2020	Coed y Brenin, Dolgellau	Welsh
Drop-in Session [Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders	04/02/2020	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	Bilingual
1S: NQT Induction Training - Day 1 Secondary [English - Mold]	05/02/2020	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
PDG - Impact & Evidence Based Practice Event	05/02/2020	Venue Cymru, Llandudno	Bilingual
Foundation Phase (for TAs - Nefyn Golf Club - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	05/02/2020	Nefyn Golf Club	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - Nefyn Golf Club - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	05/02/2020	Nefyn Golf Club	Welsh
1S: NQT Induction Training - Day 1 Secondary [Welsh - Plas Menai]	06/02/2020	Plas Menai, Caernarfon	Welsh
Welsh and English (Secondary) - Developing the potential of all learners	06/02/2020	Conwy Business Centre	Bilingual

Drop-in Session [Linden House, Mold]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders	06/02/2020	GwE, Linden House, Mold	Bilingual
Trauma Informed Schools [Wrexham]	07/02/2020	Catrin Finch Centre, Wrexham	English
FEBRUARY – EVENTS UP UNTIL HALF TERM [CONTINUED...]			
Foundation Phase (for TAs - Linden House - English) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	10/02/2020	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
Foundation Phase (for TAs - OpTIC- Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	10/02/2020	OpTIC, St Asaph	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - Linden House - English) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	10/02/2020	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
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Foundation Phase (for TAs - OpTIC- English) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	11/02/2020	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
Developing oracy across the curriculum - DAY 2	11/02/2020	Conwy Business Centre	English
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - Linden House - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	11/02/2020	GwE, Linden House, Mold	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - OpTIC- English) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	11/02/2020	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
Drop-in Session [Caernarfon]: Literacy & Numeracy Leaders	11/02/2020	GwE, Penrallt, Caernarfon	Bilingual
Foundation Phase (for TAs - Oriel Môn - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	12/02/2020	Oriel Môn, Llangefni	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for TAs - Alyn Waters - English) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	12/02/2020	Alyn Waters, Gwersyllt, Wrexham	English
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - Oriel Môn - Welsh) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	12/02/2020	Oriel Môn, Llangefni	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers - Alyn Waters - English) Developing pupils' creative, critical and problem solving skills through blocks and construction	12/02/2020	Alyn Waters, Gwersyllt, Wrexham	English
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Professional Programmes

National HLTA Development Day ***NEW***

1 FRIDAY, 6 MARCH 2020 📍 **VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO**

A National HLTA Development Day will be held on 6 March for teaching assistants holding HLTA status. This is an opportunity to see examples of good practice in schools across the GwE region.

There will be two keynote speakers: Mike Gershon, expert educationalist, and Professor Neil Frude from *The Happiness Consultancy*.

There is no fee for attending the Conference and HLTA supply costs will be reimbursed.

REGISTER VIA G6



GwE Events

*****DIARY MARKER*****

Sixth Form Leadership Conference

1 FRIDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2020 📍 **GLASDIR, LLANRWST**

GwE will be holding its 3rd Annual Conference aimed at Sixth Form Leaders and Assistant Heads of Sixth.

Full details of programme and registration arrangements to follow shortly.



Welsh Sabbatical Course

[Intermediate Level]

27/04/2020—26/06/2020—LANGUAGE CENTRE, YSGOL GLAN CLWYD

A course for English-medium primary school teachers, or teachers who have completed the Foundation Sabbatical Course, who can speak Welsh **quite** confidently but want to develop their skills.

For further information about the course, please contact Canolfan Bedwyr:

 n.h.williams@bangor.ac.uk

 01248 383293

CLOSING DATE TO DECLARE INTEREST:
FRIDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2020

TO APPLY, CLICK HERE



Cracking the Code and Microbit

SUITABLE FOR KS2 AND KS3

The course is an introduction to coding and computer science using a micro:bit microcontroller board, and Microsoft's easy and powerful MakeCode block-based coding software. There will be an opportunity during the day to complete a series of tasks that aim to familiarise teachers with various features and improve their confidence. These tasks could be adapted and used back in their schools.

FREE CLASS PACK OF MICROBITS FOR ATTENDING

REGISTER THROUGH G6.



Regional Digital Learning Event

TUESDAY, 10 MARCH 2020

VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

The giants of the digital learning world are coming to North Wales! Google, Microsoft, Minecraft and many more! Join us in this special event to learn more about the latest developments in digital learning. Whether you are confident using digital technology to enrich learning experiences or merely at the start of your digital journey, there is something here for everyone!

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

Hwb



Pupil Development Grant & Supporting Vulnerable Learners

Impact & Evidence based Practice

for Senior Management Team, LAC Designated Person, PDG Co-ordinator, ALN Co-ordinator, Local Authority Officers, Literacy Co-ordinator and classroom practitioners.



VENUE CYMRU



5 FEBRUARY 2020



9:00 - 13:00

KEY NOTE SPEAKER:
STEPHEN FRASER, EEF

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH WELSH GOVERNMENT, GWE WILL BE HOLDING ITS REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH EVENT BY HOSTING THE EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION SEMINAR AND TRAUMA INFORMED SCHOOLS.

The workshop will address:

- The EEF Toolkit: bridging the gap between educational research and classroom practice.
- The Sutton Trust - EEF Teaching and Learning Toolkit summarises thousands of pieces of academic research and presents them in a practical, manageable and robust way.
- Share successful practice across the region in regards to key interventions / programmes and impact.
- The impact of Trauma Informed Practice across the region.
- The importance of early intervention classroom practice in regards to literacy and oracy and reducing the gap.

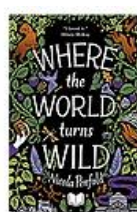
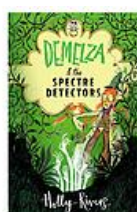
Info & Register: G6



Miscellaneous Information and Surveys

Booksfortopics

New books for a new year! Booksfortopics have been previewing new middle-grade [ages 8-12] books publishing this term and have picked out seven top recommendations to watch out for from January to March 2020. [Click here](#) for further information.



Flood stories from around the world - and what they teach us



Emma Carroll talks about the real-life floods that inspired her book *The Somerset Tsunami*, and why we'll always keep sharing flood myths and stories to make sense of what's happening.

Further information available [here](#).



Positive Readiness for Learning [PR4L] Classroom Behaviour Management

[Click here](#) for further information.

If you are interested in joining this study, please email Millie Blandford-Elliott at edp5f8@bangor.ac.uk



Invitation to join the 'Standing Together' Research Project

SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

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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:

Post: Headteacher for Ysgol Gymraeg Mornant

CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 1 O'CLOCK

This is an advert for a Headteacher position in a Welsh-medium school where the ability to speak Welsh is essential.

FURTHER INFORMATION



Important Conference for Secondary Heads in Wales



31 MARCH 2020 / 1 APRIL 2020 VALE RESORT, HENSOL PARK, HENSOL, CARDIFF, CF72 8JY

Leading the realisation of the new curriculum for Wales - the challenge for secondary headteachers

With the publication of the refined Curriculum for Wales on 28 January 2020 we enter a period which will be critical to the realisation of the curriculum for our schools, teachers, children and young people.

This conference will focus specifically on your role as the headteacher of a secondary school in leading the work to September 2022. The two day event will include information on support available at national and local level.

A must attend date in the diary for every headteacher.

[Click here](#) to register.

If you have any dietary requirements and/ or require accommodation for the conference please email Claire.Habberfield@gov.wales



Offer to collaborate with schools in Lesotho through Dolen Cymru



International Links would like to offer our schools the possibility to collaborate with schools in Lesotho through Dolen Cymru. We are now recruiting schools who would be interested in being part of a North Wales cluster running a project with a cluster in Lesotho.

If you are interested in being part of this application, please contact Ruben Chapela-Orr r.chapela@bangor.ac.uk by 31st January.



Save the Date

Foundation Phase Excellence Network Event

THURSDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2020

THE ORIEL HOTEL & SPA, ST. ASAPH, LL17 0LW

Creative Practitioners Nurture Creative Learners

Do you find creativity and risk-taking liberating and exciting, or incredibly daunting and challenging?

Nia Richards from the Arts Council of Wales Lead Creative Schools Scheme, with support from Foundation Phase teachers, will be speaking and delivering workshops on developing creativity.

Hannah Chivers Welsh Government 'Hwb, the FPEN zone and developments with the Curriculum for Wales 2020'.

Plus, a copy of 'Geiriau Diflanedig' ['The Lost Words'] by Robert Macfarlane and Jackie Morris for every delegate.



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