



GwE Bulletin



Diolch Ysgolion Thank You Schools



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Curriculum for Wales Professional Learning Programme

Further to the letter dated 21 April, please follow [this link](#) to view the timetable for the professional learning for Curriculum for Wales which is to follow after half term. You will see that the first week after half term has been left clear, and that there are three workshops to follow on weeks 2, 3 and 4. The aim of these sessions is to continue cluster discussions on developing a shared vision in the first workshop. Workshops 2 and 3 focus on Planning for Curriculum Change and follow on from the webinar that is available on 26 May, which considers the framework for the Curriculum for Wales. The workshops will follow the same format as the Change Management sessions with regular breakout opportunities for discussions.

We really hope that you will be able to attend these workshops and that it will be a valuable opportunity for you to further discuss the Reform Journey with your clusters.

You can register for the workshops via [G6](#) where you will receive a Zoom link and the accompanying handbook.

Webinar: 'Think Pieces' on the Reform Journey

Thanks to all that attended Thursday's webinar 'Think Pieces' on the Reform Journey – follow this link to view the recording:

[Welsh webinar](#) | [English webinar](#)

Follow this link to access the 'Think Pieces':

[Welsh](#) | [English](#)



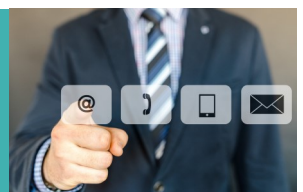
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Contacting GwE

We're here to help! We're online and available to support schools and governors.

Contact us at post@gwegogledd.cymru and we'll get back to you ASAP.



GwE Professional Offer

Please follow this [link](#) to the GwE Professional Offer for 2020-2021.

The GwE Offer, which includes all the details of the professional development training that GwE offers over the next year, is live on G6 [<https://g6.gwegoglededd.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](#).

Please ensure that any bookings are made on G6 at least 48 hours prior to the start date.

27/05/2021 - 25/06/2021	DATE			MEDIUM
NQT – Day 3 Workshop Assessment for Learning - Shirley Clarke project (bilingual)	27/05/21			Bilingual
NQT Workshop Day 3b: Digital Competency for NQTs	27/05/21			Welsh
NQT Workshop Day 3b: Digital Competency for NQTs	28/05/21			English
Developing Effective Outcomes and Using the Support Sequence (Cohort 6 - Session 1)	08/06/21			English
Developing Effective Outcomes and Using the Support Sequence (Cohort 7 - Session 1)	08/06/21			Bilingual
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (David Hughes, Llangefni, Y Bont)	14/06/21	21/06/21	28/06/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Morgan Llwyd, Maes Garmon)	14/06/21	21/06/21	28/06/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Maelor, St Joseph's, St Christopher's)	14/06/21	21/06/21	28/06/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Creuddyn, D. Conwy, Glan Clwyd)	15/06/21	22/06/21	29/06/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Friars, Tryfan, Brynrefail, D. Ogwen)	15/06/21	22/06/21	29/06/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Alun, Hawarden, Flint, Pen Coch, Maes Hyfryd)	15/06/21	22/06/21	29/06/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Eirias, Aberconwy, Bryn Elian)	15/06/21	22/06/21	29/06/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Caergybi, Bodedern, Syr Thomas Jones)	16/06/21	23/06/21	30/06/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Syr Hugh Owen, D. Nantlle)	16/06/21	23/06/21	30/06/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Bryn Alyn, Clywedog, Rhosnesni)	16/06/21	23/06/21	30/06/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Rhyl, Prestatyn, Tir Morfa)	16/06/21	23/06/21	30/06/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Emrys ap Iwan, John Bright, Denbigh High, Plas Brondyffryn)	16/06/21	23/06/21	30/06/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Tywyn, Bro Idris, Moelwyn, Berwyn, Ardudwy)	17/06/21	24/06/21	01/07/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Glan y Mor, Botwnnog, Eifionydd, Hafod Lon)	17/06/21	24/06/21	01/07/21	Welsh
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Castell Alun, Connah's Quay, Elfed, Argoed)	17/06/21	24/06/21	01/07/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Ruabon, Grango, Darland)	17/06/21	24/06/21	01/07/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (St David's, Holywell, St Richard Gwyn)	17/06/21	24/06/21	01/07/21	English
Developing a Shared Vision and Planning for Curriculum Change Sessions 2 and 3 (Brynhyfryd, Dinas Bran and Ceiriog)	17/06/21	24/06/21	01/07/21	Bilingual (with translation)
Google for Education	17/06/21			Bilingual
Foundation Phase Network (English-medium)	23/06/21			English
Foundation Phase Network (Welsh-medium)	24/06/21			Welsh

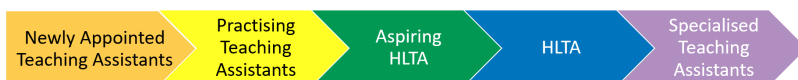
Aspiring HLTA Development Programme

Round 3 of the Aspiring HLTA Development Programme starts in September 2021.

The closing date for applications is **18 June 2021**.

Click [here](#) for more information about the Programme and the application process.

For more details, watch this [video](#).



Help Your Child to Learn with Mike Gershon

Help Your Child to Learn with Mike Gershon is a series of videos, how to guides and cheat sheets, that unlocks the secrets of learning, giving parents the tools, insights and strategies they need to help their children to learn, grow and flourish, no matter what.

This bilingual resource will be available, free of charge, to all parents of primary aged children across the region. An introductory video and voucher codes will be available after half term from your school SIA.

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Global Futures GwE: International Languages



TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

CERDD IAITH:

Creative approach to teaching languages

SPANISH/WELSH/ENGLISH

British Council Wales are offering a new round of its very successful **training programme** to help primary school teachers **teach a third language** in the classroom. The training will guide teachers through a new, free to use website called Cerdd Iaith, which has more than 30 activities **using music and drama to teach Welsh and Spanish**.

Any non-specialist teacher, with no previous knowledge of Spanish can use the resource and the activities are progressive. The training is also suitable for teachers with some Spanish or music knowledge.

The next training sessions will take place on the **22 or 24 June 2021**. Just like in the autumn term, the session will take place on-line.

For costs, funding, more information and to register for a session, please contact stephanieelliswilliams@gwegogledd.cymru

EVENTS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

GOETHE-INSTITUT LONDON

Welsh Confucius Institutes.

Saturday 5 June, 11am-12.30pm (TBC): Chinese Calligraphy Club

Further details and bookings available soon – contact confucius@cardiff.ac.uk if you would like to register interest.

Green Sauce Cooking Show, Saturday 12 June, 6pm to 7pm

Registration is now open for young people aged between 16-19 from the UK and Germany, who have a shared interest in cooking, to apply. [Click here](#).

German Teachers' Day, Saturday 3 July 2021, 10:30am to 2pm

This day is aimed at secondary school teachers and will include seminars, advice and tools for German teaching. Further information available [here](#).

Fantasy Football: Euro 2020

For full details, please [click here](#).

Virtual Work Experience for Sixth Formers, Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October 2021

Full details available [here](#).

Google for Education - Professional Development

Google has released its program of training and development specifically for teachers in Wales. It is suitable for experienced users of Google for Education and also for teachers who want to learn more about the digital learning platform.

[Click here](#) to see what's available.

They have also released a series of sessions that focus on using Google tools to develop literacy and numeracy along with sessions focusing on aspects of humanities subjects. [Click here](#) for more information.



SAFMEDS update

New resources to support the use of SAFMEDS numeracy strategy in school and at home are available on the [GwE Support Centre](#). **Implementation support** is available via video link to **all schools** in the GwE region.

Kaydee Owen (research support officer) will be hosting drop-in sessions (9am-5pm) on the following dates:

Book a one to one slot online: <https://calendly.com/safmeds/drop-in>.

- 8 June

If you require any additional support outside of these designated dates please email kaydee.owen@bangor.ac.uk.

For any teachers or support staff wanting to access full online SAFMEDS training, please watch the [video introduction to precision teaching and the SAFMEDS strategy](#).

Regional School Improvement Consortia News and Information

National Leadership Focus Week ***Save the date**

28 JUNE - 2 JULY 2021 - 09:30-11:30

Keynote speakers and workshops, highlighting the importance of effective leadership for improving outcomes for learners with opportunities to see what this may look like in practice.

Details to follow.



NQT Induction in Wales is changing...

EVERY SCHOOL SHOULD BE NQT READY BY SEPTEMBER 2021

[Click here](#) to see the steps that each School must follow to induct an NQT from September 2021.

For further information, please contact ieuanjones@gwegogledd.cymru



PDG Focus Week 2021

PDG Focus week was held in March 2021, a national event held to celebrate, share and inform the use of PDG.

This learning and sharing week was a week-long celebration and sharing of work from across Wales regarding provision and progress of disadvantaged learners through targeted PDG expenditure.

The week was designed to highlight the importance of aligning PDG to research-based interventions and development in Teaching and Learning practices to assist the disadvantaged learner and engage in face-to-face learning.

During the week, consortia, schools and settings and professional partners delivered a range of professional learning workshops, discussions, and talks.

Please click [this link](#) for access to all the week's keynote speaker presentations and resources.



Welsh Government Information and Guidance

Consultations on additional Curriculum for Wales guidance

Over the last year, practitioners and other stakeholders have been working to co-construct the specific additions to curriculum guidance signalled in January 2020. Welsh Government has also been preparing draft Codes in line with the requirements of the Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Act 2021.



They invite your feedback on these drafts by **16 July** as part of our ongoing process of co-construction. Your inputs will be used by the practitioner working groups to help refine the drafts, before the Curriculum for Wales guidance is updated online in the autumn. Links to the consultation documents and response forms are listed [here](#).

New Resources for Schools

The Welsh in Education Resources Branch within the Welsh Language Division is addressing the commissioning of Welsh-medium and bilingual resources for learners aged 3-19 to support curriculum learning and teaching and qualifications in Wales. [Here](#) are some recently published resources.



North Wales Regional Equality Network (NWREN)

The Welsh Government has made training, developed by North Wales Regional Equality Network (NWREN), available to all schools' senior leadership teams in north Wales. Supporting Schools in Challenging Racism will help you build the capacity of staff and students to meet the aim of achieving zero tolerance of racism within Welsh Education.

The training was planned as face to face, participative training and development but COVID-19 restrictions required NWREN to provide the resource on-line.

The programme is structured to:

- Build confidence in recognising and dealing with racist attitudes
- Enhance teachers' and educational managers' capacity to enable their students to recognise and challenge racism.
- Enable teachers and managers to embed race equality in the curriculum.

For further information and to access the training please [click here](#).

Information and Guidance from Others

BookTrust - Primary Schools Newsletter

In [this issue](#) they look at what to read after Holly Webb, author Zillah Bethell talks about the magic of storytelling and much more!



Leadership Unlocked

FRIDAY, 18 JUNE - 09:30-11:30 | FRIDAY, 25 JUNE - 09:30-11:30 | FRIDAY, 2 JULY - 09:30-11:30

Join us for the National Academy for Educational Leadership Wales' next Leadership Unlocked webinar series. This professional learning programme will explore leadership in Wales and its educational context. Each webinar will be guided by a notable guest speaker including: Cerys Furlong (Chief Executive of Chwarae Teg), Professor Damian Hughes (Professor of Organisational Psychology and Change for Manchester Metropolitan University) and Dai Rees (Performance & Strategic Leader).



Free, registration essential - <https://nael.cymru/events/>



Transforming Relationships and Sexuality Education

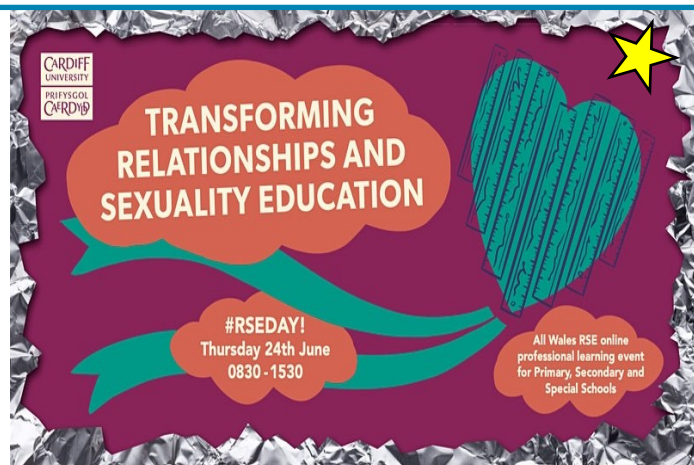
ALL WALES ONLINE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING EVENT FOR PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS

📅 THURSDAY, 24 JUNE 2021 ⌚ 08:30-15:30

RSE in Wales is changing. Rights, Equity, Inclusion and Empowerment will be central to statutory curriculum design and provision. To find out more and learn how to build high quality RSE, join us at this one day conference for primary, secondary and special schools.

[Click here](#) for further information.

To register, follow [this link](#).



IntoFilm Cymru: Two great opportunities for Welsh-medium schools

Watch and discuss the short film 'Elen':

Y5/6 : <https://www.intofilm.org/films/19405>

We are looking for Welsh-medium schools to take part in a project that will allow you to explore and discuss the themes in the film 'Elen', whilst also allowing you to expand your film making skills and knowledge.

Before 30 June, you need to:

Watch the film 'Elen' - Set in rural North Wales, this short film follows Elen, a kind ten-year-old girl with epilepsy and a vivid imagination. This is a heartfelt story of friendship and acceptance.

Use this short resource about the film <https://www.intofilm.org/resources/1509> with year 5 or 6 learners and share the work/evidence with us.

Undertake research and prepare questions for the filmmakers - Lisa Jên and Alice Lusher - and send your questions to Into Film by 28 June.

Join us for a live question and answer session with Lisa and Alice at 11am on 30 June for 30 minutes.

For more information and to express your interest, please e-mail cardiff@intofilm.org

Please note – only spaces for up to 10 schools on the session, therefore be quick!

Story building - a pack of activities for creating a film story

Our team in Northern Ireland has put a short pack together to help 7-11 year-olds to come up with and create a film story. This colourful pack enables young people to develop their ideas and creativity, story creating skills and to learn about all the important elements and ingredients that make a good film; from characters to costumes, from set to sound. Here's the link to the English version: <https://www.intofilm.org/resources/1748>

We are currently creating a Welsh version that will be available before the summer holidays.

In order to gauge demand for printed copies, please contact us to note your interest.

You can register your interest by returning the following via e-mail to cardiff@intofilm.org before Monday, 7 June.

Please note: by providing your e-mail, you are agreeing for Into Film Cymru staff to contact you to discuss planned projects. In order to obtain more information about the work and services of Into Film, you can create a free account on the Into Film website - www.intofilm.org

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University Ready

Universities Wales-wide have come together to develop the new University Ready platform.

An easy-to-use hub for support and information to make the move to higher education as simple and stress-free as possible.

Wherever you're headed in September, become #UniversityReady today: openlearn.com/university-ready



Help Your Child with Reading

Short, online course for parents and carers of Foundation Phase children or children about to start school.

This online course will help parents and carers of early years children become confident in basic techniques and fun activities to encourage their child to learn to read

[Click here](#) for further information and to register.



Talk, Learn, Do – Teaching your child about Money

This 2-hour session will cover:

- teaching children about managing money through everyday experiences
- encouraging children to be savvy savers
- building financial well-being for the future

[Click here](#) for further information and to register.

Any questions or for a flyer to send to parents email: jane.watkins@adultlearning.wales



Xplore! Wrexham

CALLING ALL HEADTEACHERS, STEM CO-ORDINATORS OR HEADS OF SCIENCE

Are you looking for innovative ways to engage your students? Do some STEM subjects struggle to capture their attention?

Xplore! Science Discovery Centre (previously Techniquet Glyndŵr) is here to turn complex ideas into memorable and interactive sessions.

We're ready when you are. Contact us today on bookings@xplorescience.co.uk



Technocamps Spring Newsletter - Newsbyte

There are some exciting events and competitions coming up that you can read all about [here](#). In the meantime, follow the social media channel ([@technocamps](#)).



Creative Learning Recovery Fund

The creative learning through the arts programme is providing funding for schools in Wales to work with their learners and teachers alongside creative practitioners to focus on re-invigorating, re-imagining and re-engaging with learning; exploring imaginative and playful ways to learn with a focus on the well-being of learners and teachers at the heart. The final deadline for applications is 5pm, 17 June 2021. Follow the link for more information: <https://arts.wales/creative-learning-recovery-fund>



Cyngor Celfyddydau Cymru
Arts Council of Wales

Welsh Language Sabbatical Courses 2021-2022

BANGOR UNIVERSITY PROVISION

THE COURSES ARE FOR ENGLISH-MEDIUM PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Full details available [here](#). [Click here](#) to view the video.

To register, please contact your local authority:

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