



GwE Bulletin

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Autumn Term Workshops

Workshops for Headteachers and up to one member of the Senior Management team will be held after half term on:

Planning Effective Improvement (Effective SDP)

Guidance on how to plan improvements and produce an effective SDP. Practical workshops to consider the effectiveness of your SDP as a plan to drive improvements in school.

Monitoring and Self-evaluation Workshops

An opportunity to discuss the characteristics of effective evaluation, monitoring and improvement planning processes, which will include looking at principles of successful self-evaluation, sources of evidence and the national evaluation and improvement resource.

These workshops will be suitable for any Headteacher new in post, members of the senior team new to the role and/or experienced Headteachers keen to receive an update on reviewing self-evaluation processes and what constitutes an effective SDP.

Please bring a copy of your current SDP to the first workshop as this will be the basis for discussions during the session.

You're welcome to attend workshops in a neighbouring county should the date, location and language medium suit you better. You'll be able to register via G6 from 27/10/2022 onwards.

Planning Effective Improvement (Effective SDP)	Monitoring and Self-evaluation Work- shop	Venue
15/11/2022 09:15-15:00	29/11/2022 09:15-15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meirion / Dwyfor - Gwynedd [Porthmadog area] [WELSH] • Flintshire / Wrexham [Mold area] [ENG] • Anglesey [northern part of the island] [WELSH]
16/11/2022 09:15-15:00	30/11/2022 09:15-15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arfon - Gwynedd [Caernarfon area] [WELSH] • Conwy [Llandudno area] [WELSH] • Flintshire / Wrexham [Mold area] [WELSH]
17/11/2022 09:15-15:00	01/12/2022 09:15-15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrexham / Flintshire [Wrexham area] [ENG] • Conwy [Llandudno area] [ENG]

****Please note that workshops on the above issues have been arranged as part of the annual Denbighshire headteachers' conference on 22/11/2022.**



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GwE PROFESSIONAL OFFER

Professional Learning Offer - Well-being

Register via G6 please.

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

25/10/2022-18/11/2022	DATE	MEDIUM
Biophilia training - 'Better Out Than In', Dr Coral Harper	18/11/2022	English

Professional Learning Offer – Digital Learning

The Digital Learning professional learning offer for 2022-23 is now live!

Click here to see what training and support is available:

<https://sites.google.com/hwbcymru.net/cdppl/iaith-language>



NATIONAL PROGRAMMES

An exciting opportunity for new Teaching Assistants!

The **Induction Programme for New Teaching Assistants** is for individuals newly appointed to their role. This national programme will be delivered on a digital platform. Training can be completed at a time convenient to the teaching assistants and their setting. For more information and details of how to register, [click here](#).

Google Classroom for Teaching Assistants

A bank of resources for the professional development of TAs has been developed.

The resources include topics such as:

- Education Workforce Council – using your Professional Learning Passport
- Professional Standards for Assisting Teaching
- HLTA Status
- Curriculum for Wales
- Hwb resources
- Learning Welsh

..... and many more. New resources will be added regularly.

The code for joining the page is [ghlyepw](#). You will need to use your Hwb e-mail address. Use this link for instructions on how to access the page using your Hwb account: <https://cutt.ly/Google-Classroom-Instructions-for-TAs>

[Click here](#) for guidance on how to use Google Classroom. Here's a [link](#) to a voiceover explaining what's included in the Google Classroom.

Aspiring HLTA Development Programme

Cylch 6 of the Aspiring HLTA Development Programme starts in **January 2023**.

The closing date for applications is **25/11/2022**.

[Click here](#) for further information about the Programme and the application process. For more details, watch this [video](#).

NQT—Important dates for 2022/23

The dates of the professional learning for NQTs working in your school from September 2022 can be found [here](#). It is important that all NQTs attend the professional learning.

National Leadership Development Programmes

Aspiring Headteachers Development Programme - Preparing for NPQH

Programme launch	20/06/22
Deadline for applications	by 1pm on 27/10/22
Programme starts	January 2023
Applications for NPQH Assessment	November 2023
NPQH Assessment Centre	February 2024



<https://www.gwegogledd.cymru/rhaglen-genedlaethol-i-ddatblygu-darpar-benaethiaid/?lang=en>



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GwE OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunity: Projects Officer (Temporary, Maternity Cover)

We are recruiting a Projects Officer to join our team. The successful candidate will support and assist teams within the service to deliver specific project requirements across the GwE region.

Full details available [here](#). **CLOSING DATE: 10/11/22**



Opportunity: Senior Officer - Information Analyst

The successful candidate will support the Information Manager in creating, maintaining and developing systems to collect, summarize and analyse information to ensure an effective flow of information within the service and to its stakeholders.

Full details available [here](#). **CLOSING DATE: 10/11/22**



Opportunity: Systems and Communications Officer

The successful candidate will support the service in delivering its business plan focussing on the following areas: branding and consortium publications; weekly school bulletin; graphic design and typesetting; reprographics; merchandise and signage; digital transformation & systems; digital content, including website & social media channels.

Full details available [here](#). **CLOSING DATE: 10/11/22**



GwE NEWS AND INFORMATION

Well-being

Joint Ministerial letter to Headteachers

[Click here](#) to read the letter from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language and the Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Well-being regarding the Whole School Approach to Emotional and Mental Well-being Framework.

Diploma in Trauma and Mental Health-Informed Schools and Communities

PRACTITIONER STATUS

[Click here](#) for details regarding the GwE 11 Course starting in **November 2022** at Ysgol Gyfun Llangefni. [Application form available here](#).

For details regarding the GwE 12 Course starting in **January 2023** at Ysgol Glan Clwyd / Oriel Hotel, [click here](#).

For more information please contact lindsay@traumainformedschools.co.uk / alys@traumainformedschools.co.uk



3-8 Autumn Term Network

[Click here](#) to view all dates and venues. **No need to register to attend these sessions.**



Literacy and Numeracy Personalised Assessments

[Click here](#) for key messages for 2022/2023



Pedagogy Transition Project

Primary and Secondary schools are invited to jointly express an interest in collaborating on action research into pedagogy transition from **January - December 2023**. Details were shared in the GwE Transition Workshop, 7 October 2022.

CLOSING DATE: 28 OCTOBER 2022.

Follow [this link](#) for further details and [click here](#) to submit declaration of interest. Thank you

Y Gymraeg

Ein Llais Ni event : 'Datblygu Siaradwyr y Dyfodol'

This is an invitation for Welsh and bilingual schools to attend an event to celebrate the 'Ein Llais Ni' oracy project. It will be an opportunity to give 'Ein Llais Ni' a platform and share intentions for deepening the work further.



Are you interested in learning/ improving your Welsh language skills?

There is a range of professional learning opportunities available for practitioners to develop their Welsh language skills via the [Sabbatical Scheme](#) and the [National Centre for Learning Welsh](#).

See more information on Hwb about [Developing the Welsh language within your school - Hwb \(gov.wales\)](#)



School Workforce Annual Census (SWAC) - 08/11/2022

PLANNING WELSH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT FOR PRACTITIONERS

This [playlist](#) will support school leaders to accurately report practitioners' Welsh language skills against the Welsh Language Competency Framework whilst undertaking the [School Workforce Annual Census \(SWAC\)](#), and to strategically plan appropriate professional learning to develop language competence for all practitioners. You will need to sign into your Hwb account to gain access to this playlist.



Teachers: Can you help recruit young people for a research project on learning Welsh?

INFORMATION SHEET

The National Centre for Learning Welsh is carrying out a research project. The Centre is keen to develop courses for students who've gained a GCSE in Welsh 2nd Language and would like to speak to students who have just completed their GCSE this summer. The new courses would be specifically for students who would like to continue on their journey to learn Welsh but who don't wish to study Welsh at A-level. The project aims to better understand their needs.

To take part in the study, we're looking specifically for young people who:

- have just sat GCSE Welsh Second Language (ideally this summer)
- aren't studying / haven't studied for a Welsh language qualification higher than GCSE
- don't speak Welsh at home
- haven't had any Welsh-medium education

Students will have a simple, friendly 1-to-1 chat with an interviewer, partly in Welsh. It will start very simply and will include subjects familiar to the student. The 5-10 minute chat will be recorded on Microsoft Teams.

If you can help recruit students, please send a short email to elen.robert@learnwelsh.cymru

Improving reading skills in schools



GwE has been working with researchers at Bangor University to provide schools with a suite of evidence-informed strategies to improve English and Welsh reading skills for struggling learners. These projects have now been summarised in a brief [user guide for school leaders](#), and we are delighted to invite schools to access [training on improving reading fluency](#), [RILL reading programme English version](#) (recruitment for the Welsh language version will commence later this term) and [Headsprout Reading Programme](#).

National Professional Enquiry Project (NPEP)

Is your school interested in developing teachers as professional enquirers?

Are you interested in using research and enquiry skills as part of your evaluation of both Curriculum for Wales work and your wider provision?

If the answer is yes to any of these questions then you may be interested in joining the National Professional Enquiry Project (NPEP) in 2022-23. Click [here](#) for more information.

GwE Global Futures: International Languages

GwE Support Centre - International Languages Primary and Secondary: information, guidance, opportunities and resources

English: <http://cefnoagaeth.gwegogledd.cymru/adnoddau-gwe/pynciau-allgraid-adnoddau-gwe/?lang=en>

Training Day [face to face] for primary school teachers

16/11/2022 - 9:00-15:30 - Speaker: Richard Tallaron, Power Language

Planned in collaboration between our Global Futures GwE team and our partners at Power Language, this day will aim to provide teachers with practical ideas to embed languages effectively in their curriculum.

This will also be a good opportunity to meet colleagues, develop a professional support network across the region for IL in the primary and to discuss ways to develop international links with schools abroad.

French for primary school teachers: Institut français

Following the successful taster sessions in June 22, we'd like to organise a further French language learning series of 3 or 4 sessions in January, subject to demand. The sessions provide bite-sized and manageable language upskilling linked to cultural aspects and pedagogical tips that are easy to apply in class.

Global Futures GwE would be happy to organise a catch-up and 'meet the trainer' session on **9/11/22** (on-line 15:45-16:30).

CERDD IAITH: Creative approach to teaching languages (British Council Wales) for primary school teachers

Using music and drama **to teach English, Welsh and German** for primary curriculum.

Possible on-line training day for German: **29/11/22**, subject to demand.

Secondary Sector MFL Hub Network Meeting: Autumn 2022

Save the date and [register by 10/11/2022](#).

This is the opportunity to meet colleagues, exchange ideas and collaborate to enhance our practice and the offer for our learners. **You're welcome to attend the network(s) of your choice.** Agenda to follow. **Supply costs will be the responsibility of the school.**

Date	25/11/22 - 9:00-12:00	14/11/22 - 9:00-12:00	21/11/22 - 9:00-12:00
Venue	Ysgol Dyffryn Ogwen	Prestatyn High	Y Grango

Reminder: Funding opportunity for International Languages in the primary: Power language resources

The Global Futures GwE team is offering the opportunity for primary schools in north Wales to apply for a fully-funded 2-year subscription to the Power Language Schools resources. Aimed at specialist and non-specialist primary teachers, all support is provided: teachers' notes, audio files to assist with pronunciation, assessment opportunities...

If you'd like to apply, please complete this form by following [this link](#).

WELSH GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Consultation - School Uniform



The Welsh Government is currently consulting on changes to the statutory guidance on school uniform and appearance policies. The consultation period will run from 18 October until 28 November.

Details of the consultation can be found in [this link](#).

Recently published Welsh Government resources



[See here](#) a list of new resources from Welsh Government.

Policy Insights Events

Since 2020, Welsh Government has been running 'Policy Insight Events' to keep stakeholders up to date with professional learning developments.

The interactive 1-hour sessions are delivered by school practitioners seconded to Welsh Government. They are held virtually and are also made available asynchronously as a video or Hwb playlist. Recent events can be accessed offline in the [recent resources](#) section, with previous events hosted in the [archive](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 27/10/2022 - Talk Pedagogy: big ticket themes this term
- 24/11/2022 - National Professional Enquiry Project [NPEP]

To access the 'Policy Insight Events' live, please complete the [online registration form](#).

To access these events offline, please access the [recent resources](#) and [archive](#) sections.

Education is changing information for parents

Here are [two videos](#) to help settings, schools and practitioners to support parents/carers understand how education is changing with Curriculum for Wales and a Curriculum for funded non-maintained nursery settings.

The videos focus on the following:

[Curriculum for Wales: Nursery education for 3 and 4 year olds](#) - An introduction for parents and carers

[Curriculum for Wales: Early education for 5 to 8 year olds](#) - An introduction for parents and carers

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FROM OTHERS

Talk Pedagogy

A SAFE PLACE TO TALK AND THINK TOGETHER

How can we help our learners to become more effective?

Exploring pedagogy to build learner effectiveness, including metacognition and self-regulation.

7 November 2022 - 14:00 OR
9 November 2022 15:45

Come along to one of the launch events on 7 November at 14:00 or 9 November at 15:45 to start your journey exploring learner effectiveness. [Further information available here](#).

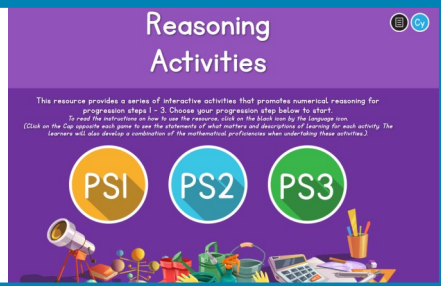
Mathematics Reasoning Activities Resource

The Reasoning Activities resource has been updated!

6 new activities for Progression Step 1

- Audio to read the questions
- Descriptions of learning for each activity
- Pop Up instructions

[Click here for further information.](#)



Maggie's Cardiff

[Click here](#) for more information about this cancer charity.



MA Education (Wales)

Bangor University has a **fully funded** MA in Education for teachers as part of their professional learning entitlement.

The course is **delivered in Welsh and English** and is **delivered fully on-line**. We offer **three pathways** to support different interests: the MA Education Wales, Additional Learning Needs or Leadership.

Funded places are limited, and criteria apply. You can find more details about this [here](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Dr Kaydee Owen (E-mail: kaydee.owen@bangor.ac.uk).

