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## MESSAGE FROM GwE

May I take this opportunity to thank you all for the tremendous work that you have undertaken during this term. Again, you have been presented with numerous challenges and I must congratulate you on the way that you've gone about ensuring that the children and students under your care have had the best education possible. 

We also fully appreciate the considerable challenges ahead, and we would therefore like to share some information with you in the new year regarding additional funding streams that will be available to you as schools, clusters and alliances.

In order to present this to you, Zoom meetings have been arranged at the following times/dates (links below):



15:45 on 11/01/2023



Welsh Medium



15:45 on 12/01/2023



English Medium

We will do our utmost to support you in any way possible and, with further collaboration, I'm certain that we can again face up to any challenges presented.

Should you wish to discuss any matter over the holidays, please contact Euros Davies or Elfyn V Jones.

I hope that you all have a very peaceful, restful and safe Christmas, and the opportunity to spend some valuable time with your family, friends and loved ones.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

*Arwyn H Thomas*

You may access the autumn term workshops resources below:

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# GwE PROFESSIONAL OFFER

## Professional Learning Offer

Please register via G6.

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

20/12/2022 - 31/03/2023	DATE	MEDIUM
Reading for Pleasure - 3 sessions (Conwy Business Centre)	25/01/2023 02/03/2023 16/03/2023	Bilingual
Mathematics Workshop (Venue Cymru)	03/02/2023	English
Trauma Informed Schools - WST (Conwy Business Centre, English Medium, Morning Session)	06/02/2023	English
Trauma Informed Schools - Biophilia (Conwy Business Centre, English Medium, Afternoon Session)	06/02/2023	English
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold)	06/02/2023	English
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (OpTIC, St Asaph)	06/02/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold)	06/02/2023 20/03/2023	English
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (OpTIC, St Asaph)	06/02/2023 21/03/2023	Welsh
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Ramada Inn, Wrexham)	07/02/2023	English
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Coed y Brenin, Dolgellau)	07/02/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Session 1 at Ramada Inn, Wrexham; Session 2 at Wrexham FC)	07/02/2023 21/03/2023	English
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Coed y Brenin, Dolgellau)	07/02/2023 27/03/2023	Welsh
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Plas Menai, Y Felinheli)	08/02/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Plas Menai, Y Felinheli)	08/02/2023 22/03/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold)	09/02/2023 23/03/2023	Welsh
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold)	09/02/2023	Welsh
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Oriol Hotel, St Asaph)	14/02/2023	English
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Oriol Mon, Llangefni)	14/02/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Oriol Hotel, St Asaph)	14/02/2023 27/03/2023	English
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Oriol Mon, Llangefni)	14/02/2023 29/03/2023	Welsh
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Conwy Business Centre)	15/02/2023	English
Workshop for TAs who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Pwllheli Golf Club)	15/02/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Pwllheli Golf Club)	15/02/2023 28/03/2023	Welsh
Workshop for Teachers who teach 3-8-year-old learners: developing cross-curricular and integral skills through science (Conwy Business Centre)	15/02/2023 29/03/2023	English
HLTA Development Day	16/03/2023	Bilingual

## Professional Learning Offer – Digital Learning

Click here to see what training and support is available: <https://sites.google.com/hwbcymru.net/cdpplo/iaith-language>

## NATIONAL PROGRAMMES

### GwE Regional PL in North Wales (Term 2 and 3)

Sessions 1 to 6 of the national NQT PL programme have now been completed and we will not be using this Teams platform again this year.

If you have missed any of the 6 national NQT sessions, you can watch the recordings on the Teams site. Please contact us on [ang@gwegogledd.cymru](mailto:ang@gwegogledd.cymru) if you have difficulty accessing these videos.

A Regional Programme will be delivered over the next two terms, with sessions starting in **March 2023**. Details will be shared with you at the start of next term. You will need to sign up to the GwE G6 platform to access the regional training [NOT the national Teams space]. Details may be found [here](#).

### NQT: Changes to NQT statutory induction in Wales

Induction for newly qualified teachers in Wales is changing from **7 November 2022**.

Watch [this](#) video to find out about changes to induction for newly qualified teachers. To find out more, follow [this link](#).

### 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, including 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.

The code for joining the page is [ghlyepw](#), using your Hwb e-mail address. Instructions on how to access the page using your Hwb account can be found here: <https://cutt.ly/Google-Classroom-Instructions-for-TAs>

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

## GwE NEWS AND INFORMATION

### Reading for Pleasure

Are you looking to develop a positive culture of reading and reading for pleasure across your setting?

Join us for this bilingual 3-day Professional Learning programme for primary and early secondary school settings.

Full details available [here](#). Register through G6



### DIARY MARKER: Post-16 Leadership Conference



03/03/2023



Conwy Business Centre

We wish to inform the region's Post 16 Leaders that the Post-16 Leadership Conference will be held at Conwy Business Centre, Friday, 3 March, 2023 - details of the programme and registration via G6 to follow in the new year.

## Resources for Parents and Guardians

### Help Your Child To Learn – PRIMARY / YEARS 7 & 8

Help Your Child to Learn with Mike Gershon is a comprehensive course for parents of 5-12 year-olds, giving you everything you need to support your child's learning and to help them grow and develop.

**RESOURCES:** [ENGLISH](#) | [CYMRAEG](#)



### Help Your Teen To Learn - YEARS 9, 10 & 11

Help Your Teen to Learn with Mike Gershon is a comprehensive course for parents of 13-16 year-olds, giving you everything you need to support your teen's learning and to help them revise and prepare for exams.

**RESOURCES:** [ENGLISH](#) | [CYMRAEG](#)



**PLEASE ASK YOUR SCHOOL SIA FOR A VOUCHER CODE.**

## Let's Go Zero + One World's 100 School Challenge

You can sign up and find useful resources using this link:

<https://oneworlduv.com/100-school-challenge/>



## Well-being










### Education Support

Do you want to feel reinvigorated, energised and develop in your role?

[Click here](#) to view the fully funded well-being support for school leaders provided by Education Support.

### Diploma in Trauma and Mental Health-Informed Schools and Communities

#### PRACTITIONER STATUS

<b>GwE 12 :</b>		January 2023		Ysgol Glan Clwyd / Oriel Hotel		<a href="#">Further information</a>
<b>GwE 13 :</b>		April 2023		TBC		<a href="#">Further information</a>
<b>GwE 14 :</b>		June 2023		TBC		<a href="#">Further information</a>

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## Literacy and Numeracy Personalised Assessments

### Key Messages

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

### New Personalised Assessment Case Studies

[Click here](#) to view Ysgol Mynydd Bychan and Milford Haven School presentation.

## Improving reading skills in schools

GwE and researchers at Bangor University have drawn up a suite of evidence-informed strategies to improve English and Welsh reading skills for struggling learners. These projects have now been summarised in a [user guide for school leaders](#), and schools are invited 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://cefnogaeth.gwegogledd.cymru/adnoddau-gwe/pynciau-allgradd-adnoddau-gwe/?lang=en>

### Newsletters

English: [Primary](#) | [Secondary](#)

Cymraeg: [Cynradd](#) | [Uwchradd](#)

## INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FROM OTHERS

### Booktrust Cymru: Spring Term News



#### Pori Drwy Stori Author and Illustrator Event - Reception Classes



06/03/2023



ONLINE EVENT

BookTrust Cymru will be running an online Author and Illustrator event on 06/03/23 for Reception classes, with the Author and Illustrator of The Bear and Her Book (Yr Arth a'i Llyfr Arbennig), Frances Tosdevin and Sophia O'Connor. Schools will be able to take part in this online event, where Frances will be reading The Bear and Her Book, Sophia will be doing a draw along and they will answer some of your questions. Please [register](#) as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

#### #BigWelshRhymeTime



06 - 10/02/2023

Have you signed up for #BigWelshRhymeTime yet? Claim your free resources before it's too late.

Big Welsh Rhyme Time is the annual celebration of sharing rhymes, poems and songs organised by BookTrust Cymru as part of our Welsh Government funded programmes.

[Click here](#) to sign up before 11/01/2023 to receive your free resources in the post.



### Teaching and assessing maths: A research survey

Researchers at Bangor University are undertaking a survey exploring the views of primary and secondary school teachers, who have responsibility for teaching/assessing mathematics, about their teaching methods. If you teach or assess maths, you can contribute to the survey by completing a short [on-line questionnaire](#). This should take no longer than 10-minutes.



## Welsh Heritage Schools Initiative Competition 2022-2023

The Welsh Heritage Schools Initiative organises an [annual competition](#) for heritage projects in schools in Wales with numerous monetary prizes and up to £1000 for the winners. This is a wonderful opportunity for your pupils to share their enquires about their *cynefin* with a wider audience, and use their cross-curricular and integral skills! Please get in touch if you'd like to discuss your ideas further. [[bethanjames@gwegogledd.cymru](mailto:bethanjames@gwegogledd.cymru) / [jamesb143@hwbcymru.net](mailto:jamesb143@hwbcymru.net)]



<https://www.whsi.org.uk/>



## Education Workforce Council (EWC)

Click [here](#) for updates from the EWC, including:

- Join the EWC
- Professional Learning Support
- EWC publishes latest workforce statistics
- Professional Development Events
- Educators Wales



## 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](mailto:kaydee.owen@bangor.ac.uk)).

