



GwE Bulletin

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Reform Journey Celebration Event - Curriculum for Wales Marketplace

I wish to thank everybody who attended the event on Thursday, 22 June. It was a day to remember. I hope you enjoyed the presentations , workshops and stalls and have had an opportunity to reflect on the content.

A special thank you to those who led a workshop or prepared a stall for their very valuable contribution. I very much appreciate the time that it has taken to prepare, and your generosity in sharing your learning with colleagues across the Region.

A number of attendees were very complimentary about the day’s structure and had thoroughly enjoyed the wide range of what was on offer. Also, people had enjoyed the informal networking and the opportunities to exchange experiences and had gleaned a lot from the day.

It was a very special day, and a fantastic end to the academic year.

A very sincere thanks once again.

Arwyn H Thomas

📢 IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

Mark Burns Workshop – ‘Challenge for All’

📅 29/06/2023 📍 Venue Cymru, Llandudno

We’re sorry, the Mark Burns Workshop - ‘Challenge for All’ is full.

Regrettably, if you haven’t registered through Eventbrite you will not be allowed admission.



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NATIONAL PROGRAMMES

National Leadership Development Programmes



Applications will open via a link on the GwE website and GwE Bulletin on the dates below. Applications cannot be submitted prior the 'Applications open' dates.

For the Aspiring Headteacher Development Programme – preparing for NPQH, please see information on the GwE website, with a link to a Welsh Government statement.

| |  <u>Middle Leadership Development Programme</u> |  <u>Senior Leaders Development Programme</u> |
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| Applications open: | 12/09/2023 | 19/09/2023 |
| Deadline for applications: | by 1pm on 05/10/2023 | by 1pm on 12/10/2023 |
| Introductory session for successful applicants: | w/c 27/11/2023 | w/c 27/11/2023 |
| Programme starts: | January 2024 | January 2024 |
| Programme ends: | December 2024 | December 2024 |

Newly Qualified Teachers (NQT)



 [NQT NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OFFER: AUTUMN TERM 2023](#)

Induction Mentors (IM)

 [IM NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OFFER: 2023-2024](#)

EXTERNAL VALIDATOR / EXTERNAL MENTOR (EV / EM)

 [EXTERNAL VALIDATOR / EXTERNAL MENTOR \(EV / EM\) PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OFFER: 2023-2024](#)

Contact Ieuan Jones, GwE, with any queries:  ieuanjones@gwegogledd.cymru

Welsh Education Consortia Post-16 Leadership Development Programme



Calling all aspiring, new and existing post-16 leaders! Ready to level up your leadership game? Join our transformative Post-16 Leadership Programme and unlock your full potential as a leader. Gain valuable insights into post-16 education, expand your network, and make a lasting impact on students' lives.

[Sign up today](#) and become an inspiring leader!

Accredited Practitioner Status for Dyslexia Training

EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR TEACHING ASSISTANTS

Training to gain Accredited Practitioner Status for Dyslexia, in collaboration with the Miles Dyslexia Centre, Bangor University. The training will be held during the Autumn Term 2023 and Spring Term 2024. For more information and an application form, please [click here](#), or contact Wendy Williams by email [WendyWilliams@gwegogledd.cymru] or phone 07485 207166.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Professional Development for Secondary Mathematics Teachers

[Click here for full details](#). To apply, please complete [this form](#) by **30/06/2023**. You will be informed before the end of the term if your application has been successful. If you have any queries, please get in touch with either ffionemlynmealor@gwegogledd.cymru or sianelizabethcaldwell@gwegogledd.cymru

Improving Pupils' Basic Numeracy Skills With SAFMEDS

We are recruiting teachers (or teaching assistants) in North Wales to work with a group of 10 learners in Year 3 or Year 4. Initially, the SAFMEDS sessions will focus on building addition skills, during the Autumn term 2023 and the Spring term 2024.

To be eligible to take part in this project your school:

- Must be a mainstream primary school in the GwE region (your school can be a Welsh, English or bilingual setting).
- Will need to identify target learners in Year 3 or Year 4 that will benefit from the SAFMEDS strategy. These learners will need a basic understanding of single digit addition (even if they are not yet fluent). Learners must also be able to turn flashcards independently.
- Will need to identify a teacher or teaching assistant who can attend the training session in October 2023. This should be the same member of staff that will support the SAFMEDS sessions in school.

[Full details available here](#). To register your expression of interest, [follow this link](#).

Launching the Secondary Digital Network



05/07/2023



10:00-11:00



English-medium



Online



[JOIN](#)

The first session will be held online and will include a brief introduction to the network's work programme for 2023-2024 and the support that will be available to you as schools. There will also be an opportunity in the session for you to influence and steer how best to provide the guidance and support for you. [Further information here](#).

GwE NEWS AND INFORMATION

GwE Global Futures: International Languages



GwE Support Centre: International Languages - [Primary](#) and [Secondary](#)

For more information about the Global Futures programme, team contacts, links to partners and previous newsletters, [click here](#).

Learning to teach Languages in Primary Schools- Open University Course- Fully funded

Opportunity to learn an international language and be trained to teach languages in primary schools through the Open University.

Information about the course as well as the registration documents [here](#).

Video about the course: <https://youtu.be/LdByRAUOPwI>

Please return your forms by 25/08/2023 to stephanieelliswilliams@gwegogledd.cymru



Personalised Assessments – Regional Messages

[Click here](#) for the latest information and case studies.

The National Centre for Learning Welsh Newsletter



[Here's](#) the latest news from the National Centre for Learning Welsh.

Sharing Successful Practice: Open Days – Welsh in Our School

**AN INSIGHT INTO HOW YOU COULD DEVELOP THE WELSH LANGUAGE WITHIN YOUR CURRICULUM
*FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS***

A series of events showcasing how different schools have developed the Welsh language within their curriculum. Each school offers an insight into their vision for developing the Welsh language and exemplifies their provision, and is relevant for Welsh-medium, bilingual and English-medium schools.

Register your interest in visiting the school that best suits your linguistic category and journey to further develop Welsh (limited places available).

OPEN MORNING

DEVELOPING WELSH IN AN ENGLISH-MEDIUM SCHOOL

To be held at Ysgol Y Llan, Whitford, Holywell (CH8 9AN)

When: 07/07/2023 – 9:15-12:00

An opportunity to learn about the school's vision for the Welsh language and its impact on learners, including a presentation by the Senior Leadership Team, discussions with learners and teaching staff and observing classrooms and assembly.

Audience: Members of the senior leadership team of English-medium primary schools (spaces are limited)

To register your interest in attending please fill out [this form](#).

For further information, contact Rhian Roberts rhian.roberts@flintshire.gov.uk

Lunch is not provided.



HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

CONSULTATION: Child Poverty Strategy for Wales



Welsh Government is seeking your views on the draft [Child Poverty Strategy for Wales](#). It is committed to addressing child poverty as an absolute priority, and the Programme for Government commitments is being shaped and delivered with the need to combat poverty and inequality as a central driver. Contact TacklingPovertyAndSupportingFamilies@gov.wales for further information.

SURVEY: Have your say in this online survey about well-being in your school

Welsh Government is undertaking research to explore how schools and pupil referral units are embedding a Whole School Approach to Emotional and Mental Well-being. [Take part by completing this survey](#).

Counselling Children and Young People (4-18 years) PGDip 2023-2024

Do you want to broaden your counselling skills to work with children and young people? [Click here for further details](#).

CMI Level 5 Award in Professional Team Coaching

[Full details available here](#)

WELSH EDUCATION CONSORTIA NEWS

Realising Potential – Challenge for All

The Welsh Education Consortia MAT team has changed its name to **Realising Potential**.

Why? - The work of the team has evolved to address the national priority of 'challenge for all learners' in order to ensure that all learners are appropriately and equitably supported to meet their full potential. All learners are entitled to be supported in their progress and enabled in realising their aspirations, regardless of their starting point.

We will support schools with a range of professional learning opportunities and resources to enable the development of a clear vision in relation to supporting all learners to embrace high aspirations and realise their potential, as they engage with their learning. Aspects of wellbeing support will be a key consideration, alongside national priorities such as reducing the impact of poverty and disadvantage on progression and attainment, with all support fully aligning with the realisation of the Curriculum for Wales and the Principles of Progression. [Full details available here.](#)

To allow the Realising Potential team to tailor the support needed with the supporting practitioners' themes above, please fill out the following questionnaire to outline your professional learning/support requirements: <https://t.co/gqVLwYJehV>

For more information contact: Mair Herbert - mairherbert@gwegogledd.cymru or Paul Davies – pauldavies@gwegogledd.cymru



MIND E-Learning Mental Health Awareness Programme

The Consortia have collaborated with Mind Cymru to provide professionals working within education across Wales with access to a free 45-minute interactive mental health awareness e-learning package. To access the programme, please complete [this form](#).

WELSH GOVERNMENT NEWS

SECONDMENT ADVERT: Professional Advisor – National Professional Learning Entitlement



CLOSING DATE: 17:00 ON 30/06/2023

The new professional advisor post will play a key leadership role in our journey to realising the aims of the National Professional Learning Entitlement. [Full details here.](#)

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FROM OTHERS

Investment Challenge – Bangor Business School



07/07/2023



Bangor Business School invites Year 11 and 12 pupils to compete in the investment challenge, which will put their investment ability to the test by trading in a virtual stock market simulation. Each school may bring a maximum of 10 pupils [forming five teams]. [Further information available here.](#)

Estyn: Inspecting for the Future (2024-2030)



ESTYN IS REVISING HOW IT WILL INSPECT EDUCATION AND TRAINING FROM 2024 AND BEYOND

They're building on the changes already made – removing summative gradings for most areas they inspect and focusing more on strengths and areas for development – and will be consulting widely to hear everyone's ideas. Find out more about Estyn's approach: [Inspecting for the future \(2024–2030\) | Estyn \(gov.wales\)](#)

E-sgol Conference 2023

**03/07/2023****14:30-16:30****Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Llangynwyd, Maesteg, CF34 9RW / Virtual**

The e-sgol conference will provide you with an opportunity to hear about the different initiatives that e-sgol is working on, including *Ymlaen Gyda'r Dysgu*, *Carlam Cymru* and our Professional Learning Community.

The conference will be held at [Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Llangynwyd](#), however the presentations will be broadcast live for attendees from across Wales to watch. Following the live presentations, attendees at Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Llangynwyd will have an opportunity to engage with members of the e-sgol team and visit various market place stands that will showcase what e-sgol is about.

Find out more on the e-sgol website: <https://e-sgol.cymru/e-sgol-conference-2023/>