



Teaching School Council London Regional Newsletter

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School Led Conference

The Power of Hubs Event- a school led approach 29/1/15

Well done to everyone who was involved in this successful and well attended event at city hall that explored the power of hub working and a cohesive school led approach. Key notes speeches from Sir George Berwick and Deputy Mayor for Education and Culture were informative and inspirational and referenced the impact of teaching schools and promoted the power and impact of an inclusive school led system.

Please take a look at the website <http://tscouncil.org.uk/> for photos and delegates comments.

£ Sub Regional Fringe Conferences

You may remember in the last newsletter I mentioned the budget we have been given for a system leaders conference for London. The overarching aim of the event is to draw together London's teachers, system leaders and stakeholders to ensure we develop a truly cohesive, inclusive and successful school led system.

A huge thank you to the teaching schools which have already taken part in the early consultation meetings.

The feedback has overwhelming been that London doesn't need another large conference so we are opting to lead a series of sub regional conferences which will focus around School to school support (STSS) Deployment and Commissioning, Successful SLE brokerage models, STSS Fund and Self deployment strategies. There will be a unique opportunity to tailor the event to meet the needs of your sub region.

We are looking for Teaching Schools, outstanding schools or System leaders to host these fringe events and the 27K funding will be shared amongst the Host teaching schools/system leaders.

Any hosts will be supported by me and the NCTL Teaching and Learning Advisors. If you interested in hosting one of the fringe conferences please email me at david.whitfield@tscouncil.org.uk

We will also be launching the approach at the Power of Hubs event mentioned above, so please come along for further information on how you can be involved.

Sub Regional Network Meetings

The sub regional network meetings are now happening all over London and are becoming an integral part of building our cohesive school led system. Please remember that these meetings are not exclusively for teaching schools, and we welcome all system leaders and stakeholders.

South West London – The first meeting took place at Southfields Academy on January 22nd, where we were lucky enough to have Michael Case from the advertising agency responsible for the DfE Train to Teach Campaign to offer support and advice on effective marketing. Congratulations to Jacqui Smith, Lampton and Denys Wallace from Chesterton TSA who were elected chairs and Pan Lond Representatives.

Please contact Deryn.HARVEY@education.gsi.gov.uk if you would like to join this network.

South East London – after a very successful first meeting the follow up has been arranged for February 4th 2015 at West Thornton Primary School, Croydon

Please contact Kieran.OSBORNE@education.gsi.gov.uk if you would like to join this network.

North London- the next Pan North London Teaching Schools meeting at Southgate school on Thursday, 12th March 2015, 2 pm.

Please contact Judy.LARSEN@education.gsi.gov.uk if you would like to join this network.

East London – Bob Drew has kindly offered to host this network meeting at Gearies Primary Gants Hill (10 minutes walk from central line station) on Tuesday 28th April, 2-4pm

Suggested focus – Primary TSs or TSAs working with primary schools, as this is an area of greatest need at the moment (although this won't be the only item on the agenda)

Please contact Trevor.SANDFORD@education.gsi.gov.uk if you are interested in joining the network.

As the TSC representative I will be at all the initial meetings to answer your questions and inform you of latest policy changes and opportunities happening through the TSC. After the initial meetings I envisage the election of network representatives to sit on a pan London group I can meet with regularly for this purpose.

Important Research: What makes great teaching?

To support the system in evidence based research I will share a piece of current and relevant research in every newsletter.

This issues report is from Durham University and The Sutton Trust reviews over 200 pieces of research to identify the elements of teaching with the strongest evidence of improving attainment. It finds some common practices can be harmful to learning and have no grounding in research. Specific practices which are supported by good evidence of their effectiveness are also examined and six key factors that contribute to great teaching are identified. The report also analyses different methods of evaluating teaching including: using 'value-added' results from student test scores; observing classroom teaching; and getting students to rate the quality of their teaching

The PDF can be accessed at:

<http://www.suttontrust.com/researcharchive/great-teaching/>

World- Class Teaching Profession consultation events (London and Nottingham)

These events are a chance to discuss and share views on the World-Class Teaching Profession consultation. We are really keen to hear from a range of teachers and headteachers. There will be an opportunity to ask questions, a chance to talk and debate with others, and hear the findings from the Sutton Trust's: What Makes Great Teaching? research report from one of the authors:

- Professor Steve Higgins, University of Durham (at the York event)
- Dr Lee Elliot Major, Chief Executive, Sutton Trust (at the London event)

Light refreshments will be provided.

Places are limited so please register your attendance as soon as possible to confirm yours.

London event – 31st January, 1pm - 4pm

London Eventbrite URL - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/world-class-teaching-profession-consultation-event-london-registration-14990411725>

Nottingham Event -7th February 1.30-3.30pm

The link for registering a place is here:

<http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/department-for-education-7829473336?s=32406551>

Teacher Training Toolkit –ITT Providers

Need some support with marketing your ITT provision? The DFE is currently running a campaign promoting ITT and they provide a toolkit of resources, banners and other promotional material that is available to all ITT providers that allow you to use this national branding. More details can be found at:

<http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching/apply-for-teacher-training/marketing-resource-bank?cid=sdmarketing&type=redirect&pla=201112>

Staying Informed

The Teaching School Council Website <http://tscouncil.org.uk> now has a great new interactive map facility that gives you details of all TSAs, NLEs, NLGs and LLEs.

We are currently also working on a School to school support service where schools need support will post requests with the intention that system leaders with the relevant expertise will contact them directly to negotiate support. I would welcome any feedback on this idea and suggestions about how we can make the website work for us.

Please feel free to email me suggestions at david.whitfield@southfields.wandsworth.sch.uk

Support for schools dealing with changing demographics

A group of outer-London schools is looking for a school perspective on dealing with the change from a mostly stable, mostly white British, student population - to an increasingly transient, ethnically mixed, EAL one, as they experience increased in-migration (especially from eastern Europe). Many schools have good experience of this issue and may have a helpful perspective to share. If yours is one, or you know of one, would you be able to contact

Shola.Omogbehin@havering.gov.uk who would be pleased to invite you to a session with Local HTs to support this work.

Reminder of Application Windows:

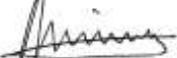
The application round for **national leaders of governance** (NLGs) is now open and will **close on Friday 30 January**.

The application rounds for **national leaders of education (NLEs)/national support schools (NSS)** and teaching schools open on Friday 9 January and **close on Friday 6 February**.

If you have any queries about the designation process please email teachingschools.enquiries@education.gsi.gov.uk.

Thanks for your continued hard work

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