

Welcome back to the start of the new academic year. The autumn term CPD programme is already filling up, so if you haven't already, do make sure you and your staff are aware of the CPD opportunities available from the school improvement team.

Subject Leaders

- Are your Subject Leaders up to date on the most recent local and national initiatives and developments?
- Would your Subject Leaders benefit from sharing and discussing good practice and current issues?

These popular local subject leader meetings are available for English and Maths and will help to enhance subject knowledge, provide supportive resources, networking opportunities and the opportunity to reflect on and develop the skills required to be a subject leader.

Maths autumn focus: Updates and new publications; A little bit of maths; A review of SATs results in Kent; Reinvigorating an enthusiasm for mastery and reasoning - this session will look at the 5 'big ideas' behind reasoning in the classroom and also provide a staff meeting for teachers to take back into schools; Action planning; A discussion as to what teachers would like to focus on or have support with for this year.

English autumn focus: Any relevant updates from the DfE; Updates from KCC; An opportunity to network with local colleagues in similar roles; A focus on how to support and guide your school colleagues, giving them appropriate feedback which further builds their Literacy teaching skills.

There are also termly District AEN meetings which take place across the academic year to inform practice.

Additions to the main programme

Further to the new courses highlighted in the Term 6 update we have been busy over the summer break adding to the programme to ensure that we continue to provide a fully comprehensive and supportive CPD programme. These additional courses include:

- The Sentence train
- How Effective, Distinct and Relevant is your School's Broader Curriculum?
- Closing the Gap - Disadvantaged Pupils, Personalised Pupil Premium /SEND Audit and Action Planning
- Working Scientifically - Learning the Skills and Processes of Doing Science
- Primary Science Leadership
- Sustaining School Improvement in a Financially Challenging World

Standardisation & Moderation – Year Group Sessions

With the increased Ofsted focus on the accuracy and impact of assessment to establish pupils' starting points and modifying teaching so that pupils achieve their potential, it is essential that teacher judgements are accurate so that they can build on learning.

There are sessions available for each individual year group with a focus on Reading and Writing or Maths.

There will be opportunities for delegates to agree what 'expected' looks like for their year group and then apply this knowledge within the moderation process. The process can be applied to further aspects of learning back in the classroom.

Conference dates:

- Shaping The Future: Kent Association of Headteachers - Thursday 6th October 2016, Ashford International Hotel
- Inspirational Leadership: Deputy & Assistant Headteachers - Thursday 10th November 2016, Tudor Marriott Hotel, Maidstone
- Maintained Nurseries in the 21st Century – Friday 11th November 2016, Oakwood House, Maidstone
- Primary NQT Conference – Wednesday 8th February 2017

We are currently planning for Early Years, English, Maths and Closing the Gap – dates will be announced once key speakers are confirmed.

Bespoke events and conferences

Is your school, federation or collaboration thinking of planning a conference or event? The organisation of these events can be time consuming and overwhelming, but our service has the specialist knowledge and experience required in order to take away the hassle and ensure that your event is a success.

We are able to run a bespoke service tailored to your needs and requirements. Services we offer include:

- Speaker/presenter research, booking, liaison and management of contracts
- Venue research, booking, liaison and contract management
- Delegate management – an online booking system
- Advertising and promotion of events
- Event management on the day – delegate registration, name badges, speaker and venue liaison
- Exhibitor displays
- Evaluation and feedback from the event

The above list is not exhaustive and we can support and organise whole events or offer support in certain areas. As a large organisation we are also able to negotiate and secure discounts for venues, key speakers, workshop providers and audio visual equipment. To discuss your requirements please e-mail Amy.Raggett@kent.gov.uk or telephone 03000 414513.



New Staff?

- Remember to ensure all staff either create or amend their existing CPD Online account with the correct establishment and up to date e-mail address. If they don't do this confirmations of course bookings will be sent to an old/incorrect e-mail address or they could have their booking declined by their previous school CPD Leader.
 - Staff should only have **one** CPD online account and should not create one for each school that they work in – remember – the account belongs to the individual and not the school.
 - Set up alerts on CPD accounts to automatically receive weekly updates when new courses become available for booking.
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- As a CPD leader you can authorise bookings directly on CPD online – you don't need to wait for e-mail reminders.
 - CPD leaders can also check the status of any booking you or your staff have made in your CPD Leader Tools area on CPD Online
 - As the CPD leader you are also able to cancel any delegate bookings that you have made on behalf of your staff.

For further details on any of the above and to book courses and conferences please go to:

www.kentcpdonline.org.uk

If you have any queries regarding the programme, or can't find what you're looking for then please contact me: amy.raggett@kent.gov.uk

If you have any queries regarding the use of CPD online please e-mail the helpdesk:

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