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Welcome to the Ealing Primary Teaching School Alliance Newsletter.

Our Alliance is committed to raising standards in teaching and learning and the development of staff.

We are coming to end of a successful year for the Alliance and we are now reviewing and preparing plans for next year.

Networking has been enhanced by opportunities offered through new projects—Lesson Study, School-based NASENCO, SENCo Quadrant Meetings, Conferences for Leaders, deployment of SLEs and the development of the Growth and Enrichment Training Programme for September 2016.

Joint working with colleagues from different settings has brought new perspectives when reviewing systems and processes in place, therefore leading to improved arrangements going forward.

Melanie Hogan, Teaching School Lead.



Initial Teacher Training School Direct

This year due to circumstances out of our control ,along with other Alliances in London we are well below our expected recruitment levels for School Direct.

We have currently recruited 11 students. This is ongoing until the portal closes.

In order to fulfil the requests for SD student placements for September 2016, we have been exploring other avenues and have met with the IOE. We are currently discussing plans to take a group of 20 PGCE students into the Alliance.

We are awaiting two proposals which will be discussed with the Strategic Group, both of which offer CPD opportunities for our own Alliance schools .

NQT / RQT Programme

The programme will finish at the end of May. Many thanks to all the schools who have delivered training for this programme.

This is what delegates said about our programme:

'absolutely loved the level of expertiseI gained a thorough understanding of the new curriculum and the new programme that we will use in school. Very useful...loved being able to observe a class..... thank you so much for all the ideas and taking the time to talk to us today and sharing your personal experiences... .. my experience was refreshing and the areas covered met all my expectations... I have gained lots of new and relevant ideas which I can use within different areas of my teaching...lots of practical ideas which are easy to implement immediately

We look forward to working together to deliver our Growth and Enrichment Programme from September 2016.

Leadership Conference

A successful Leadership Conference for DHTs/AHTs has taken place, led by Nigel Cook (Gifford) and Lucy Rodgers (Wood End Infant). Evaluations were really positive and highlighted the quality of workshops led by Madhu Bhachu, (Wood End Infants) and Helen Holton (Gifford). There will be another conference on 29th September.

Gifford have also successfully delivered the Stepping Stones Programme.



New Alliance Members

There are now 18 schools in our Alliance.

We welcome: Berrymede Junior, Ealing Primary Behaviour Centre and St Anselm's RC Primary who have recently joined us.

If you would like information about our Alliance please contact us.



Diary Dates

SLE Interviews Castlebar School	13th June 2016
SLE Training Castlebar School	22nd June 2016 All day
Growth and Enrichment Meeting—Leaders and Facilitators Castlebar School	28th June 2016 4.00-5.30 pm
Lesson Study Cele- bration	29th June 2016 1.00—5.00 pm
SLE Meeting - All SLEs Castlebar School	30th June 2016 4.00-5.30pm



Developing Leadership

NPQML / NPQSL Leadership Programmes

The next round for applications for both programmes is open.

Register your interest by contacting us at
Ealing Primary Teaching School Alliance:
mhogan@castlebar.ealing.sch.uk or

CPD Opportunities

To promote CPD events on behalf of the Alliance or to be included on our mailing list for alerts of future training opportunities please contact Philippa Quenby at eptsa@castlebar.ealing.sch.uk

School to School Support

Specialist Leaders in Education - SLEs

New application round is open for Alliance schools.

SLEs offer school to school support in a range of areas including: NQT support, ASD Practice, Early Reading, Phonics, Numeracy and ICT.

SLEs have been deployed in Alliance Schools with positive feedback. Details of their specialisms can be found on our website.

Ealing Primary Teaching School Alliance is looking for leaders with the following specialisms:

Early Years	English (Reading, Phonics and Writing)	Computing
RE	SRE	Science
Support for more able pupils	NQT Mentor support	Behaviour

Lesson Study

All schools involved in Lesson Study are currently implementing the first cycle and visiting other schools to observe the process in practice. On 29th June there will be the final meeting for Lesson Study which will be a celebration of the work that has been implemented this year and sharing plans for embedding the approach next year.

EPTSA will consider further work with the IOE for this area in the spring term. This will depend on the review of the autumn term work.

SEND

10 schools have now taken part in SEND Peer Reviews with positive feedback from both Reviewers and schools. Thank you to those partners who have actively supported reviewing documentation.

EPTSA has hosted 5 SENCo Networks this year and has been creative around delivery of sessions. This year we have trialled 2 sessions as Quadrant meetings led by local SENCos. Feedback will inform the organisation for next year.

Dr Amelia Roberts has presented a session on Assessment and the next network meeting will be a NASEN Conference

NASENCO

The NASENCO Programme started in April 2016 and is being hosted in Ealing Schools in partnership with IOE.

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