

Welcome to our Autumn Newsletter sharing with you the highlights of our activity during this half-term.

We have met with all of our Partners this half-term and are delighted to welcome two new schools to our Alliance: Little Ealing Primary and Stanhope Primary.

Feedback from our End of Year Survey highlighted the positive benefits of being part of our Alliance and supported the development of our plans for the new year.

Many congratulations to two of our Alliance schools: Perivale Primary and Selborne Primary who have both been graded as Outstanding following their recent Ofsted inspections.

Selborne School has also been celebrated in the Schools to Success programme, a new programme set up by Sadiq Khan to recognise exceptional schools in the capital.



Professional Development:

Our Growth and Enrichment Programme offers a range of training for all staff, delivered locally in Ealing schools at an affordable cost. A new NQT Programme is being finalised by Perivale Primary School and will be available for all schools shortly.

Lesson Study Celebration: On 17th October we held a Lesson Study event. 4 schools from the Alliance hosted open lessons in the morning where visitors were able to participate in a whole cycle of the process. In the afternoon Sarah Seleznyov from the IOE delivered a presentation for the group and staff from schools introduced their research and findings. If you are interested in establishing Lesson Study within your school, we have a dedicated team of SLEs and lead teachers who can support you; please contact us for further information.

DHT/AHT Conference: Thank you to Nigel Cook, Headteacher from Gifford School who led the annual DHT/AHT Conference on 10th October at the Holiday Inn, Brentford. The Keynote speaker was Alan Coleman, Academy Director, Middlesex Cricket Club. Feedback has been really positive. During the Conference plans to develop DHT/AHT Networks were discussed with attendees and the first meetings for these groups will take place before Christmas.

NPQs: The Ealing cohort for this year's NPQML and NPQSL programmes are about to start, a total of 44 delegates will be trained across both programmes by facilitators from EPTSA and ETSA.

Details of our latest Professional Development Opportunities available to book:

Autism Education Trust Training

Nationally recognised training programmes to share knowledge and good practice for all staff working with pupils in the 5 – 16 age range.

Three programmes are available:

Making Sense of Autism – a 90 minute session looking into 'What is Autism'

Good Autism Practice – delivered over 2 three hour sessions, this programme looks at individual children and how to understand their specific needs relating to Autism

Leading Good Autism Practice - this full day course provides leaders with the skills needed to evaluate Autism practice within their own setting, enhance knowledge and understanding and evaluate and develop practice

No cost to Ealing Maintained Schools (commissioned and funded by ESCAN)

All programmes are available to book via [Ealing CPD](#)

Leadership Development Day - 'A Total Communication Approach to Learning and the Environment'

Wednesday 6th December 2017
9.15 am – 3.00 pm

Cost: £150 per person / £270 for two

An opportunity for school leaders to collaborate during this interactive day

Look at systems to support and enable pupils with communication difficulties to successfully communicate their needs and learning

See how a range of professionals work collaboratively to ensure there is a consistent approach in place

A focussed learning walk to observe approaches and resources used to promote communication for all pupils many of which are easily transferrable into other settings

Discuss systems in place to record progress for pupils

Discuss Appraisal for TAs

Secure your place/s through [Ealing CPD](#)

Speech and Language Support for Pupils with SLD (ELKLAN)

Starting 23rd January 2018

2.30 pm – 5.00 pm
(A 5 part programme)

Cost £375 per person

This programme is for teachers and classroom staff to develop skills and knowledge in strategies and approaches to develop and promote vocabulary and expressive communication to support pupils with speech, language and communication needs.

The programme offers a level 2/3 qualification accredited through the Open College Network South West Region (OCNSWR)

The programme covers:

What is Communication/Adult, Pupil Interaction
Attention, Listening, Play and Exploratory Learning,
Understanding of Language

The Blank Language Scheme and Promoting the Development of Vocabulary

Developing Expressive Communication and Supporting Pupils with unclear speech

The Development of Social Skills and Final Review

Reserve your place through [Ealing CPD](#)

Teacher Training:

10 out of 11 of our School Direct trainee teachers from last year have secured employment in Ealing schools. This year 5 School Direct students, 15 St Mary's University and 10 Brunel University PGCE students have all been placed in our partner schools.

Our School Direct teacher training programme has opened for September 2018. Along with our partner schools we will be recruiting 28 students for the tuition route and 1 for the salaried route. We have an established record of supporting and bringing new talented teachers into the profession, supported by experienced teachers in our partnership schools. If you would like to join our partnership of schools, please contact us.

Professional Support:

Our talented team of Specialist Leaders have worked with 11 schools since June 2017 on individual requests for deployments. Our Lesson Study SLEs and SEND Peer Reviewers have also supported schools to develop in these areas.

If you are considering seeking support for your school please see our website for details of our SLEs and their specialisms, alternatively contact Melanie or Philippa for an informal chat.

SEND:

SENCo Induction

This 4-part programme for new SENCos delivered by Dr Amelia Roberts, IOE, started in October 2017; the 2nd session will be hosted at Castlebar School on 14th November 2017.

If you are a New SENCo and are interested in joining this programme, please contact us.

NASENCO

The 2017 cohort are well on their way to completing Module 2 of this programme. This qualification is a requirement for all SENCos unless they have three or more years' experience in the role prior to 2009. The next local programme will start in September 2018.

Number trained to date: 28

SEND Peer Reviews

4 SEND Peer Reviews have taken place this term, with 6 more scheduled. Evaluations on the process continue to affirm the benefits of peer to peer working. If you would like to participate in this process for your school, please contact us.

We can offer 3 more SEND Peer Reviews at no cost to schools.

Annual SEN Conference for SENCos and Inclusion Leads

30th January 2018

8.45 am—1.00 pm
Trailfinders

The keynote speaker will be Diane Rochford

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Special Selections

This twilight event on 7th November, was well attended and proved successful in identifying training opportunities that local staff value and will attend this year. All feedback was very positive about the structure and timings of the event and the Alliance will now look to promote other training opportunities in this way later in the year.

Join Us

We welcome new members to our Alliance, if you would like to join our collaborative network of schools, please contact either Melanie Hogan or Philippa Quenby at Ealing Primary Teaching School Alliance.

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