

## NST Newsletter: Monday 16th November 2020

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### Autumn term Subject Leader Network meetings yet to come

The following Network meetings are coming up; follow the links below to book:

- [Geography Network – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 4.00pm to 6.00pm](#)
- [NQT Network – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 3.30pm to 5.00pm](#)
- [Design and Technology Network – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 3.00pm to 5.00pm](#) \*see article below for additional information\*
- [Phonics Network – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 3.30pm to 5.00pm](#)
- [RE Network – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 3.30pm to 5.00pm](#) \*new date\*

### Spotlight on our Design and Technology Network Meeting

Our autumn term Design and Technology Network meeting will be delivered by Ryan Ball, Curriculum Trainer for the Design and Technology Association. Ryan will be talking about the work of the Design and Technology Association, the resources available and how they can support our schools, as well as discussing the needs/wants/areas of development of the group to shape future sessions.

D&T Leaders who attend the meeting will receive a one-year membership of the Association (funded centrally by the NST) so we would like to encourage as many schools as possible to attend this event to benefit from this opportunity!

To book a place at the meeting, follow this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/design-and-technology-network-meeting-tickets-124524551285>

**NST Phonics and Reading Training Programme –  
courses still to come this half term**

The following courses are coming up during this half term; click on the links below for further details or to book your place:

- [Leading Reading in Key Stage 2 – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 10.00am to 3.30pm](#)
- [Developing a sequence of teaching based on a quality text \(KS1 focus\) – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 10.00am to 3.30pm](#)
- [Developing a sequence of teaching based on a quality text \(KS2 focus\) – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 10.00am to 3.30pm](#)

**Autumn Term Leadership Programme Meetings with Sally Manz**

There's still time to book your place on our autumn term leadership programme meetings with Sally Manz. Here's a reminder of the dates; click on the links below to book in:

- [‘Careering Ahead’ Programme for Middle Leaders – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 3.00pm to 5.00pm](#)
- [‘Forging Ahead’ Programme for Senior Leaders \(Heads of School, Deputy and Assistant Headteachers\) – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2.00pm to 4.00pm](#)

**DSL Training: Recording safeguarding concerns effectively at a school level**

Lou Maltby (one of our fantastic ADSLs) is kindly re-running this online training session for us, on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 3.30pm to 5.00pm. So, if you were unable to join us for the training that took place last month you have another chance to participate.

To book in just register your details here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dsl-training-recording-safeguarding-concerns-effectively-at-a-school-level-tickets-126402773097>

**Free SIM cards from Vodafone update**

We expect delivery of the SIM cards from Vodafone this week and we will get them posted to you very shortly thereafter. There will be instructions on how to use them and for those without a slot for a SIM card or a dongle there will be instructions on how to use a smart phone to wirelessly connect. Vodafone will also be giving 30 minutes free technical support per card user if needed. Unfortunately, due to security concerns they have changed the unlimited data element to 30GB however this is still a decent amount of data. The dongles are unfunded and we were unable to secure a bulk discount for those schools who were able to purchase on behalf of parents. We request that you email [frances.rowland@nottinghamschoolstrust.org.uk](mailto:frances.rowland@nottinghamschoolstrust.org.uk) with questions.

**Maths Hub Mastery Readiness Programme online event on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November – please let your Maths Leaders know!**

Pete Sloan from the East Midlands Maths Hub will be running an online information event for Maths Leaders to find out more about their Mastery Readiness programme, and learn about the bespoke support available to schools via the programme. Pete will be giving a presentation and there will be plenty of time for Q&As.

The event will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 3.45pm to 4.15pm. Please email [Emily](#) if you would like to join the meeting, and she will send you an invite with the log in details.

A flyer and application form for the Maths Hub Mastery Readiness programme are attached for your reference. Schools can send queries or completed applications directly to [peter.sloan@sdsa.net](mailto:peter.sloan@sdsa.net).

**Maths Hub Year 5 – 8 Continuity Work**

The East Midlands Maths Hub are looking to recruit schools to participate in a free primary and secondary transition work group. Please see the attached flyer for further details of what is entailed and how you can get involved.

**Programmes Available from East Midlands Maths Hub**

Please see the attached flyer for a round-up of all the programmes available via the East Midlands Maths Hub. There are a range of opportunities for teachers of all age groups to participate in.

**National Centre for Computing Education Professional Development Opportunities**

The National Centre for Computing Education have a huge range of courses that you can engage in this term, available through remote and online CPD sessions. These courses offer you a flexible approach to learning, giving you the chance to choose where and when you participate.

Their latest opportunities can be viewed on their latest email here:

<http://email.stem.org.uk/q/1HaBNtMMpWHzTrjlvBeQq/wv>

**Jack and the Beanstalk - Schools Tour and On Demand**

The team from Nottingham Playhouse have been in touch with details of their upcoming winter tour of Jack and the Beanstalk, which will be running between 5<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Please see the attached flyer for details, including the opportunity to view an 'on demand' version of the show.

If you have any questions please email Dylan Morris (Participation Administrator at Nottingham Playhouse) at [dylanm@nottinghamplayhouse.co.uk](mailto:dylanm@nottinghamplayhouse.co.uk).

### **Bitesize Digital Poetry Workshops**

The [Nottingham Poetry Festival](#) starts this week and they have four Bitesize 10-minute workshops for schools, created by local Nottinghamshire poets. The aim is to encourage children and young people to enjoy and create poetry. To find out more or request the digital workshops, please email Manjit Sahota [sahotamanj63@gmail.com](mailto:sahotamanj63@gmail.com). The festival starts this Friday, there's an impressive line-up of and all events are FREE, [take a look](#).

### **ChalleNGe Digital Newsletter**

Here's the link to latest ChalleNGe Digital Newsletter for teachers and educators in Nottingham city schools <http://bit.ly/AutumnNewsletter20>. You'll find lots of information about:

- Time for Wellbeing Calendar
- Opportunities for Schools
- Workshops and Resources for Schools
- Opportunities for Teachers, CPD and Networking
- Arts and Artsmark
- Opportunities Outside of School

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