

NST Newsletter: Monday 22nd November 2021

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- NST Phonics and Reading Training Programme – Leading reading in KS2 Session Added
- EYFS Curriculum Development Working Group
- LGA Schools Update and Industrial Action Guide (**2 documents attached**)
- Safer Schools App Launch Event
- Reading Toolkit (**1 document attached**)
- Information from the South Notts Regional Computing Hub – for SLTs and ICT Leads (**3 documents attached**)
- Updated Teach Computing Updated Curriculum
- November Newsletters – STEM Learning and Teach Computing
- Autumn Term Network Meetings

**NST Phonics and Reading Training Programme –
Leading reading in KS2 Session Added**

We have just added a '**Leading Reading in Key Stage 2**' training session to our phonics and reading programme, which is open for booking in Eventbrite. Jess Steele and Emma Hollis will be delivering this training for us a face to face course, on Tuesday 25th January, 10.00am to 3.30pm at Nottingham Nursery School and Training Centre.

Click here for further details/to book: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/leading-reading-in-key-stage-2-tickets-211056203787>

Additionally, places are still available on the following sessions:

- ['Spellonics' - Phonics into Spelling for Phase 6 \(Years 2 & 3\) – Wednesday 8th December, 3.30pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Developing a sequence of teaching based on a quality text – Thursday 9th December, 3.30pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Shared and Guided Reading – Wednesday 12th January, 3.30pm to 5.30pm](#)

EYFS Curriculum Development Working Group

Last week Mary Prest led our first EYFS Curriculum Development Working Group meeting, which attending schools found really helpful. Our second meeting will be taking place on 2nd February. Schools who didn't attend the first meeting are still welcome to participate in the working group so please do book in if you would like to join us:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/eyfs-curriculum-development-working-group-tickets-173303454297>

Mary will be looking to deliver an extra session for schools who didn't attend the first meeting and we will be in touch with further details about this in due course, so remember to sign up by using the link above if you would like to be involved.

LGA Schools Update and Industrial Action Guide

Carol McCrone, HR Consultant at the Local Authority, has forwarded two documents for your information (both attached):

- LGA Schools Update, dated 17th November
- LGA Industrial Action Guide

Safer Schools App Launch Event

Following on from our presentation on the free Safer Schools app at the DSL Network on 06th October 2021, please find below a flyer with joining instructions for the launch event on Wednesday 1st December. Once schools have attended the session all staff at their school will be able to access the app. It's mandatory to attend the session for schools to gain access to this resource.

Please see the flyer and book your place at this event via the following link:
<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/nottingham-city-council-launch>.

Kind regards,
Rhiannon Matravers
Business Support for Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership.

Reading Toolkit

Emma Hollis (School Improvement Advisor) has forwarded to us a Reading Self-Evaluation Toolkit which has been produced by Bedford Borough Council, which schools may find helpful (document attached).

Information from the South Notts Regional Computing Hub – for SLTs and ICT Leads

Support Available

Please find attached a document from John Jefferies (STEM Learning Accredited Associate Facilitator), which outlines the support available via the South Notts Regional Computing Hub, including information about courses and bursaries available.

Courses taking place this week:

Two NCCE courses are being delivered by the Regional Computing Hub this week:

- Introduction to Primary Computing – 23rd November
- Primary Programming and Algorithms – 26th November

Both courses will be delivered remotely and may be especially useful to staff who are new to the role of IT Lead.

The courses are £65 but schools will receive a £220 bursary.

Please see the attached flyers for more information and booking links.

Updated Teach Computing Updated Curriculum

Visit this link to find out more about the Teach Computing upgraded curriculum and resources: <https://r1.ddlnk.net/5QHO-DURC-9B79A3F3CCF1C5282L8LFF77B6AF5C6061E000/cr.aspx>

November Newsletters – STEM Learning and Teach Computing

The following newsletters are available to view online:

STEM Learning - [Your November newsletter's here! \(stem.org.uk\)](#)

Teach Computing: <http://email.stem.org.uk/q/1eXc9sqtiXNYWilhChfEqg9/wv>

Autumn Term Network Meetings

The following autumn term Subject Leader Network meetings are now available to book. Click on the links below to visit our Eventbrite page:

- [Maths Network – Friday 3rd December, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)
- [Inclusion Network – Wednesday 1st December, 3.30pm to 5.00pm](#)
- [History network – Thursday 9th December, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Science Network – Monday 13th December, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)

Email [Emily](#) if you have any queries.