



NST Newsletter: Monday 24th January 2022

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- School Admissions (**2 documents attached**)
- Executive Headteacher Recruitment at Fernwood Primary School (**3 documents attached**)
- Spring Term Subject Leader Network Meetings
- Free event looking at the implications of the science Ofsted report for primary schools
- ABLE spring conference is now open for registration
- Bowden Education Website and Resources for Teacher Development
- The Fawcett Society Report – Gender Stereotypes in Early Childhood (**1 document attached**)
- Nottingham Festival of Science and Curiosity 2022
- ChalleNGe Primary Schools Digital Newsletter
- Newsletters from Historical Association and Teach Computing

School Admissions

Thanks to Rebecca at Welbeck and Terry at Greenfields, Jonny Kirk (Service Manager Access and Inclusion) and Pete McConnochie (Head of Access to Learning) for working with us to capture all documents and resources relevant to the school admission process. We hope this helps both school based staff and parents navigate the admissions process.

Attached you will find;

1. School admissions team contact details for school-based staff as at January 2022
2. A very handy flow map tracing the school admissions process

The LA document 'Going to School in Nottingham' can be found at;

<https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/media/3372323/going-to-school-in-nottingham-22-23.pdf> and provides comprehensive Information about;

1. applying for a school place 2022-2023
2. starting school
3. transferring from an infant school to a junior school
4. transferring from a primary / junior school to a secondary school

Webpages link; <https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/information-for-residents/education-and-schools/school-admissions> contains interactive maps, where parents/carers can input their post code and see what schools are in catchment (if there is a catchment school, some secondary schools do not, or if they are faith-based it is more complicated as it is the Diocese). The webpages can be translated into over 50 different languages via Google Translate.

The webpage also includes a simple **School Admissions Team Timeline;**

1. Day 0-5 We will operate weekly admission rounds, with a cut-off point of 12 noon on Fridays. Any application received after 12 noon will be included in the following week's admission round.
2. Day 6-10 If you are requesting a place at an academy, details of your application will be made available to the relevant admission authority for them to make a decision.
3. Day 11-15 Parents/carers should receive a decision on their application within 15 school days of their completed application being received. Decisions on community school applications will be sent by Nottingham City Council but decisions for academies will be sent by the school concerned.

We hope this helps streamline the process and provide the necessary support for schools and families.

Executive Headteacher Recruitment at Fernwood Primary School

Many of you will be aware that Mandy Austin has decided to retire from her role as Executive Headteacher at Fernwood Primary School. Please find attached the following three documents in case this vacancy is of interest to you or any of your contacts:

- Application pack
- Application form
- Privacy notice

Spring Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

Dates for our spring term series of Subject Leader Networks are all now available to book on Eventbrite.

- [RE Network](#) – Monday 31st January, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [Geography Network](#) – Tuesday 1st February, 3.45pm to 5.00pm
- [PSHE Network](#) – Monday 7th February, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [Music Network](#) – Tuesday 8th February, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [PE, School Sport and Physical Activity Network](#) – Monday 21st February, 1.30pm to 3.00pm
- [English Network](#) – Tuesday 22nd February, 1.15pm to 4.00pm
- [Art Network](#) - Wednesday 23rd February 2022, 3.30pm to 5.00pm
- [Design & Technology Network](#) – Thursday 24th February, 2.30pm to 4.30pm
- [Assessment Leads Network](#) – Friday 25th February, 1.00pm to 3.30pm
- [Performing Arts Network](#) – Monday 21st February, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [Phonics Network](#) – Monday 28th February, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [ICT Network](#) – Tuesday 1st March, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [MFL Network](#) – Wednesday 2nd March, 3.45pm to 5.00pm
- [History Network](#) – Wednesday 9th March, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [Early Years Network](#) – Thursday 10th March, 4.00pm to 5.30pm
- [Diversity Network \(Spring 2\)](#) – Tuesday 15th March, 2.00pm to 4.00pm
- [Inclusion Network](#) – Wednesday 16th March, 3.30pm to 5.00pm
- [Science Network](#) – Monday 21st March 2022, 4.00pm to 5.30pm.
- [Forest Schools & Outdoor Learning Network](#) – Thursday 31st March, 4.00pm to 5.30pm

Jane Gill is delivering the following **Maths Network** meetings this term, with places funded by the NST – click on the links below to book:

- [Friday 4th February, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)

**Free event looking at the implications of the science
Ofsted report for primary schools**

Colleagues from the University of Nottingham have shared details of a free online event that's taking place on Tuesday 8th February from 4.00-5.00pm and will focus on science. The School of Education's science specialist, Joanne Hancock, will discuss the headlines from Ofsted's Science Research Review (April 2021) and its possible implications for primary schools, and then there'll be discussions about what this may mean for schools.

If you would be interested in attending this event please email uonschoolpartnership@nottingham.ac.uk

ABLE spring conference is now open for registration

NST SBMs get one membership per school paid for so you attend for free. Details and registration to attend the conference at Eastwood Hall on 9th March can be found here <https://ablepro.info/conferences/>.

Workshops and keynotes ranging from Inside IT Procurement, Tapping into your Emotional Intelligence with Pam Burrows, Crowdfunding, Developing and environmentally sustainable policy and action plan – and more!

Bowden Education Website and Resources for Teacher Development

Yvonne Watts (School Improvement Advisor) has let us know about a company called Bowden Education, who have developed a website and resources for teacher development. The website contains some good materials, which are very accessible and low cost, so it may be worth taking a look.

Visit their website at www.bowdeneducation.org, or you can find them on Twitter @BowdenEducation

The Fawcett Society Report – Gender Stereotypes in Early Childhood

Emma Hollis (School Improvement Advisor) has shared an interesting report with us from the Fawcett Society which looks at gender stereotypes in early childhood. We have attached a copy here in case you would like to take a look.



Nottingham Festival of Science and Curiosity 2022

The Nottingham Festival of Science and Curiosity is back with a renewed vigour for all things scientific and curiosity-inspiring and with a programme brimming with activities for all the family across the county. Celebrating its seventh anniversary, the festival will be running from 7-16 February. The festival is all about providing opportunities for people in Nottinghamshire to be inquisitive, ask questions and let curiosity lead the way.

Among the highlights is The Curiosity Show, reinvented from last year's Wollaton Watch, a series of five hour-long children's TV shows broadcast live, 4-5pm on Notts TV, which will feature live science demonstrations, interviews and try-at-home activities, as well as exploring all things curious across Nottinghamshire.

The festival magazine is back for a second year with a brand-new look, exciting new content and a range of fun activities for all the family.

The festival will be hosting events for schools exploring how we use and gather data in our everyday lives, as well as talks about careers in science, including one celebrating International Day for Women and Girls in STEM. The festival also has a range of free in-person events such as artist installations at Wollaton Hall and Broadway, a wide range of workshops delivered by local researchers and hands-on activities in libraries. The festival has something for everyone.

For more information including detailed event listings please visit www.nottsfosac.co.uk and follow the Festival on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter @NottsFOSAC #FOSAC22 #CuriousNotts

ChalleNGe Primary Schools Digital Newsletter

The new issue of the ChalleNGe Primary Schools Digital Newsletter is out now! It's full of useful information for Teachers at Nottingham City Schools. You'll find news about curriculum related workshops and resources from our partners, as well as training and CPD for teachers. Read it here <https://bit.ly/PrimariesJan22> and add yourself to the mailing list to receive the bi-monthly newsletter.

Newsletters from Historical Association and Teach Computing

The following newsletters are now available to view online:

Historical Association Primary Newsletter for January: [Marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee | Holocaust Memorial Day | Anniversaries calendar for 2022 \(technology-trust-news.org\)](https://www.historytrust-news.org/)

Teach Computing Newsletter: [Learn online at a pace that suits you \(stem.org.uk\)](https://www.stem.org.uk/)