



NST Newsletter: Monday 2nd October 2023

This week's newsletter features the following items:

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Local Authority Lead Teaching Assistant Network Meeting – Wednesday 15th November

Suzanne Scrivens will be delivering the autumn term meeting of her termly Lead TA Network, on Wednesday 15th November, 1.30pm to 4.00pm at Nottingham Nursery School and Training Centre.

The NST will fund places for one TA per school to attend these network meetings. Further places can be booked at a cost of £40 per TA (schools will be invoiced separately for any additional places booked).

Attached is a flyer which contains further details, along with a booking form, which should be completed and returned to Suzanne.Scrivens@nottinghamcity.gov.uk.

Information on the New Early Years Entitlements

Colleagues from the Local Authority's Early Years Team have forwarded to us the slides and an FAQ document to circulate (attached), following their recent update briefings on 12th and 13th September.

This information can also be found on their website, where the latest updates about the new entitlements will also be shared:

<https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/earlyyears/section-pages/early-years-funding/new-early-years-entitlements/>

Do you need a flu vaccination for your employees?

Flu is a highly infectious and very common viral illness that is spread by coughs and sneezes. It's not the same as the common cold. Flu is caused by a different group of viruses and symptoms tend to be more severe and last for longer. Flu symptoms can make you feel so exhausted and unwell that you have to stay in bed and rest until you feel better.

Getting vaccinated not only protects you from the flu virus, but also reduces the risk of you spreading flu citizens, colleagues and family members. This is still important in a year where flu and Covid 19 will be circulating together.

In order to be prepared for the flu season this year, the Employee Wellbeing Team is asking you to inform us of the number of vouchers you require.

This year we are able to offer flu vouchers for **£12.00** at Boots pharmacies. The vouchers are electronic and can be emailed or sent via text to the employees – or if preferred, we can send them as a batch to your named point of contact. If you would prefer them to be sent out directly to individuals, **please let us know and we will send you details of how to arrange this.**

Due to the unprecedented demand last year, we have already ordered a number of vouchers which are ready to be released. If your members of staff require a vaccination, please send an email to the [Employee Wellbeing Team](#) entitled **Flu Vouchers** along with your **school contact details** and the amount you require, and how you wish us to send to you (see above) by **13th October** to ensure we can meet your order. Vouchers are now available to release.

The vouchers can be used at most Boots pharmacies, and they currently have good appointment availability. In terms of booking, there's three ways this can be done.

1. Follow the link on the voucher and enter voucher code on the last page (just below the box to enter personal address) to book electronically.
2. The employee can contact their local Boots pharmacy over the phone or by dropping in with a copy of their voucher.
3. Call the main customer service centre on 0345 0708090 option 3 and then option 1 and they can book the appointment over the phone.

If you have any questions please feel free to give the Employee Wellbeing Team a call on **0115 87 62953** or email ew.admin@nottinghamcity.gov.uk.

Further information on flu vaccines is available here [Flu vaccines for the 2023 to 2024 season - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#):

Counter Terrorism Local Profile Questionnaire

As you may know, the Counter Terrorism Local Profile Questionnaire is released each year in order to give police and partners information on the key Counter Terrorism threats within the local area. The information you provide in the survey is crucial to understanding emerging areas of risk as well as gaps in knowledge. The results will feed into the new document that will drive Police and partner Prevent activity for 2024.

You can find this year's survey here – <https://NottsCTLPSurvey>

Prevent require returns from a broad range of professionals across a wide variety of roles and organisations; more returns mean a richer, better informed CTLP.

Please can you distribute this link far and wide within your organisation. Everyone has part to play in countering the threat from terrorism.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Pollock (Prevent Coordinator) at mark.pollock@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Early Years Experts & Mentors Recruitment Spring/Summer 2024

Pen Green have started a recruitment drive to attract additional Experts and Mentors for the remaining two terms of the programme.

Skills we're looking for

Applicants must have:

- at least 3 years' experience and if working in a setting it must be Ofsted rated 'good' or 'outstanding' (or equivalent independent school inspection rating)
- a level 6 or above early years qualification

Applicants may be working in:

- schools
- nursery schools
- private, voluntary, or independent (PVI) nurseries
- other early years settings
- early years roles within local authorities, universities, or similar organisations

If you have colleagues who you think would be interested in applying for a role in the programme please direct them to the application page on our website. It can be accessed here: [Apply for Expert or Mentor Role | Pen Green Children's Centre](#)

The closing date for application is **Friday October 6th 2023.**

FFT's Free Autumn CPD Literacy Programme

Follow this link for details of FFT's free autumn term CPD programme, which includes two sessions with guest presenter Alex Quigley, on the topics of vocabulary and reading: www2.fft.org.uk/webmail/866372/960440419/530da02f53dfd944eb11e9fe277a6677245ac92acb297e6c2fd23129fe41ca3c

Flying High Teaching School Hub News 2023-24

Please find attached an email from the Flying High Teaching School Hub which gives links to the national training and support programmes which are available to you.

NAHE Update – 2nd October

The latest NAHE email update can be read online here: <https://www.smore.com/tz1pn-nahe-update?ref=email>

Autumn Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

Dates for the following meetings are now available to book on Eventbrite (click on the hyperlinks below to book):

- [Music Network – Monday 2nd October, 3.30pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [PSHE Network – Monday 9th October, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Inclusion Network – Tuesday 10th October, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Curriculum Leads Network – Friday 13th October, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)
- [MFL Network – Tuesday 17th October, 3.45pm to 5.15pm](#)
- [Art Network – Thursday 19th October, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)
- [English Network – Tuesday 7th November, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)
- [Assessment Leads Network – Friday 10th November, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)
- [Early Years Network – Thursday 16th November, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [History Network – Monday 20th November, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- PE Network – NST funding one place per school for PE Leaders to attend the Active Notts conference on Monday 20th November. Contact [Emily](#) for further information.
- [Phonics Network – Tuesday 21st November, 1.30pm to 3.00pm](#)
- [Design and Technology Network – Wednesday 29th November, 2.30pm to 4.30pm](#)
- [ICT Network – Wednesday 6th December, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Science Network – Thursday 7th December, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)

Jane Gill is delivering her termly Maths Network meeting on the following date (places funded by the NST – click on the link below to book):

- [Friday 6th October, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)