

NST Newsletter: Monday 18th March 2024

This week's newsletter features the following items:

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Vacancies at HHELC

HHELC are currently recruiting to three vacancies, if you know of anyone seeking a new opportunity? Details can be found using the links below:

- Primary Teacher (Temporary for 2 years): <https://bitly.ws/3fQ32#>
- Level 3 Teaching Assistant (Temporary for 2 years): <https://bitly.ws/3fQ3n>
- Level 3 Teaching Assistant (PMLD): <https://bitly.ws/3fQ3s>

Reminder: Jane Gill's Moderation Workshops

Follow this link to view a flyer which details the forthcoming moderation workshops which Jane Gill will be delivering (booking links included):

https://www.canva.com/design/DAF00BDRQBk/JSr_MeTFo46mZqGTC5Mi2q/view?utm_content=DAF00BDRQBk&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=viewer

School Meals Comms for Social Media

We think you will agree that school meals are very important. A healthy school meal means our children are getting the nourishment they need to energise their minds and bodies which means they are ready to learn, play and explore.

Having a school meal affects children's school attendance, academic performance, and Body Mass Index according to the findings of numerous studies.

Therefore, we are asking schools to share the following social posts on school communications DOJO/ Arbor channels. We would like schools to share one or two posts with parents and carers each term to increase pupil participation in school meals.

Social posts to share:



School meals are free for all primary school children in reception, year 1 and year 2.

Eat Culture, Nottingham Catering are proud to serve healthy, balanced and freshly prepared school meals.

Sign up at your children's school.
(Universal Infant Free School Meals only apply in government funded schools.)



From the Eat Culture menu: Chicken Biryani, potato and chickpea curry with flat bread and peas.

School meals are free for children at primary school in reception, year 1 and year 2.

If you receive certain benefits you can continue to receive Free School Meals. Check your eligibility here:
<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Take part in a new EEF study aimed at boosting maths skills in KS1!

The Education Endowment Foundation have a new project called 'One Step Ahead' which is related to the impact of maths pre-teaching for KS1 pupils. They would like to offer this opportunity to primary schools in the Nottingham area to take part. More information is

provided on the attached document and a link to book a call to discuss this offer is included below:

One Step Ahead

One Step Ahead is an [Education Endowment Foundation funded project](#) which explores the impact of maths pre-teaching for KS1 pupils. This study aims to generate **robust evidence that teachers can easily incorporate in their practice**. You can learn more about the project [here](#).

[Book a call now](#) to find out more!

New EEF Primary Science Trial – Recruitment Now Open

Please see the attached flyer and report about a new 3-day EEF trial. Focus4TAPS is a three-day CPD programme for the science lead and a Year 5 teacher, supporting teaching and assessment of Working Scientifically and science content. This new EEF funded primary science trial is a randomised control trial, so schools will either be in the intervention group (CPD in 24-25 for £150 fee, but then £200 thank you payment for completion), or the control group (£500 thank you for waiting, then offered CPD in 25-26 at subsidised rate). The EEF 'thank you' payments will cover the cost of the CPD, whichever group the school is in.

A link to the resources is included below - the resources are freely available, the training shows teachers how to use them effectively.

[TAPS - Primary Science Teaching Trust \(pstt.org.uk\)](https://www.pstt.org.uk)

DfE School Energy Buying Questionnaire

The DfE have circulated an energy buying questionnaire for schools. Here is the link if you would like to complete it (the deadline for responses is Wednesday 20th March at 5.00pm): https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=vXfS-grGoU2187O4s0qC-fjixuupLXJBp0_4KkJzkLpUNzAwVjcxVFZQN1RQSTRGMFNBTVRQV/koyQS4u

ChalleNGe Primaries Newsletter

Here is a link to the ChalleNGe Primaries Newsletter for March:
<https://mailchi.mp/ntu/challenge-primary-newsletter-march-2024>

Final Reminder about our spring term Design and Technology Network meeting on Wednesday 20th March: SEND Focus

Our spring term D&T Network meeting is taking place on Wednesday 20th March, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, at Nottingham Nursery School and Training Centre.

Lol Conway (Curriculum Consultant for the Design and Technology Association) will be leading this meeting for us, which will focus on SEND and student adaptations. We will be

looking at good practice and ways to support all kinds of learners in the teaching of D&T. Participants are asked to bring any relevant documents that may be helpful and any good examples of SEND children accessing the D&T curriculum at your school.

Places can be booked via our Eventbrite page here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/design-and-technology-network-meeting-tickets-704456858427?aff=oddtcreator>