



## **NST Newsletter: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- GDPR Refresher Training for Data Protection Officers
- Celebrating Success: Level One of Inclusive Attendance & Level 2 is live! **(1 attachment)**
- Priority Literacy Newsletter – October 2024 **(1 attachment)**
- Invitation: Teaching for Creativity in Action – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November
- University of Nottingham – Opportunities for NST Schools **(1 attachment)**
- Smartphone Free Childhood Movement
- Nottingham Healthy Child Conference – 28<sup>th</sup> November **(1 attachment)**
- Autumn Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

### **GDPR Refresher Training for Data Protection Officers**

Just to remind you the annual GDPR refresher training for DPOs is taking place this Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November, 1.00pm to 3.30pm, here at Nottingham Nursery School and Training Centre. DPOs should have received a diary invite for this training but if you haven't received it please let [Emily](#) know and she can forward this to you.

### **Celebrating Success: Level One of Inclusive Attendance & Level 2 is live!**

Please see the attached email which gives links to the Inclusive Attendance CPD offer.

### **Priority Literacy Newsletter – October 2024**

Please find attached a copy of the latest newsletter from Priority Literacy, which came out just before the half term break.

### **Invitation: Teaching for Creativity in Action – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

Have you wondered how other schools build creative approaches into classroom practice?

[Join our new Teaching for Creativity Network](#) - the next meeting is on **Tues 26<sup>th</sup> November** at Welbeck Primary, **1.15-3.15pm** where you can visit classrooms and see Teaching for Creativity in action. Limited places so do book soon.



## **University of Nottingham – Opportunities for NST Schools**

Please see the information below about the various ways NST schools can work with the University of Nottingham:

### ***Wider Participation Offer***

The University of Nottingham Wider Participation department offers a range of opportunities to certain schools within NST, based on their PPG % (see excel list attached).

Here is a link to the pages for each of the programmes mentioned on the spreadsheet:

[Activities for primary schools - The University of Nottingham](#)

[KS1 University Detectives Programme - The University of Nottingham](#)

[KS2 Discovery Days - The University of Nottingham](#)

[KS2 Learning Leaders - The University of Nottingham](#)

[Family Discovery Day - The University of Nottingham](#)

### ***University wide Outreach Opportunities***

Follow this link to explore additional opportunities available for primary-aged pupils, which are offered by academic departments and schools within the University of Nottingham. -

[University-wide Activities - The University of Nottingham](#)

### ***School of Education - Summer Conference – Engagement Opportunity***

Helen Bowhay, Director of Initial Teacher Education, has asked if any NST schools would be willing to support their plans for their summer conference in 2025. This year they want to focus on pupil voice around the concept of place and belonging...

*“Our vision for the conference would be that we hand the event over to our pupils to provide them with a space to voice what it is they think we (leaders and teachers) need to know about what makes them feel like they belong in school and education more broadly, or conversely, what makes them feel like they don’t belong. Ideally they would be able to ‘voice’ this in whatever way they want to e.g. it could be art, drama, video or just talking. We are hopeful we can get schools to commit to being involved and work with their pupils to help them share the important messages they feel we need to hear.*

*We are meeting as a group on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2.30pm, so anyone wanting to be involved would be welcome to join us – this will just be adults in the first instance!”*

If any schools would like to get involved in the project, please get in touch with Helen at [Helen.Bowhay@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:Helen.Bowhay@nottingham.ac.uk)

## **Smartphone Free Childhood Movement**

Rebecca Gittins at Welbeck has shared the following links with us regarding the Smartphone Free Childhood grass roots movement.

Website: <https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/>

They have a pact which can be signed by parents, with a Leaderboard which shows numbers of signatures by school:

<https://parentpactresults.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/nottinghamshire>

Here is article about the Safer Phones Bill which gives further background information:

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2024/oct/14/new-bill-could-force-social-media-firms-to-make-content-less-addictive-for-children>

### **Nottingham Healthy Child Conference – 28<sup>th</sup> November**

Please see the attached email from Catherine Kirk regarding the upcoming Nottingham Healthy Child Conference, where there are 26 places still available for schools who haven't yet booked in.

### **Autumn Term Subject Leader Network Meetings**

The following Subject Leader Network meetings are now available to book via our new booking platform, Universe (we have moved away from Eventbrite due to their introduction of fees). Click on the hyperlinks below for further details/to book in:

- **Design and Technology Network** – [Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2.00pm to 4.00pm](#)
- **English Network** – [Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)
- **Assessment Leads Network** – [Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)
- **Inclusion Network** – [Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- **Diversity Network** – [Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November, 1.00pm to 3.00pm](#)
- **Phonics Network** – [Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30pm to 3.00pm](#)
- **Science Network** – [Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November, 1.00pm to 4.00pm](#)

If you experience any issues with using these booking links then please let [Emily](#) know.