



## **NST Newsletter: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- Designated Teacher Network Session – Tuesday 14th January
- Developing Early Number Sense with 4-5 Year Olds
- ABLE Business Masterclass for SBMs – Disciplinarys and Grievances Issues
- Mental Health First Aid Youth Aware
- Experian Right to Work and Onboarding Solutions (**2 attachments**)
- Long Term Futures – Recruitment Agency (**1 attachment**)

### **Designated Teacher Network Session – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January**

**The network sessions are appropriate for all DTs and staff delegated to carry out the Designated Teacher role.**

This session is an opportunity for the Virtual School to share relevant information and evidence-based good practice with colleagues who have statutory responsibilities for children in care in Nottingham City Schools. Designated Teachers will be encouraged to share their experiences and establish links with colleagues with similar roles and responsibilities across the authority.

#### **Training Dates:**

Date: Tuesday 14 January 2025

Time: 13:30 – 15:30

Venue: Microsoft Teams

#### **How to book onto a training session?**

You can book your place using this online form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/ML5NT5fwib>

If you are having problems accessing the online booking form, please contact the Virtual School via email: [thevirtualschool@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:thevirtualschool@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

### **Developing Early Number Sense with 4-5 Year Olds**

Want to develop your understanding of mathematical concepts and how to support young children to develop a firm foundation in early maths – then this is for you:

**Audience:** Specifically for practitioners working within a reception class

**Course Overview:** This course will develop practitioner subject knowledge and give research-based theories and practical ideas of how adults can develop early number sense with reception aged children. This session is designed to complement any schemes

which might be used in school and aims to develop practitioner understanding of early number acquisition and deepen subject knowledge.

**Course Aims:**

- Develop practitioners' understanding of Cardinality and Counting, Comparison and Composition.
- Understand how to develop a mathematically engaging environment
- Develop strategies to help develop children's reasoning, providing foundations for children to develop more advanced number skills

**Date:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025

**Time:** 9.00am to 12.00pm

**Venue:** Castle Cavendish

**Fee per delegate:** £45

For more information please contact [eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk) or [Book here](#) to secure your place.

**ABLE Business Masterclass for SBMs – Disciplinary and Grievances Issues**

ABLE's next CPD session for School Business Managers is taking place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 9.00am to 12.30pm, at Strelley Hall.

The focus is on 'Disciplinary and Grievances Issues'. The session will be delivered by Chris Whitmore MA, CEO of The Schools People. The Schools People has vast experience in education and specialize in HR and employment law.

The focus of this session will be on:

The legal background and history

The legal framework, Code of Practice and legal tests

The procedural framework – policy in the workplace

Mines in the minefield – how to get it wrong

The pragmatic tools for dealing with disciplinary and grievances issues

Key takeaways

This session is free for those schools to attend who have NST-funded ABLE membership. Otherwise places cost £75 plus VAT. Members will need a discount code to ensure your place is FREE. Use code **ABLEMEMBER0502** when booking.

[Click here to book.](#)



**Mental Health First Aid Youth Aware**

There are free training spaces available on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January from 9:30am -1pm for a three and a half hour introductory session to raise awareness of young people's mental health.

### **What is Mental Health First Aid?**

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is an internationally recognised training course, designed to teach people how to spot the signs and symptoms of mental ill health and provide help on a first aid basis. This course is tailored for people who teach, work, live with and care for young people aged 8 to 18.

### **Learning Objectives:**

By the end of the workshop participants will be able to define mental health and emotional wellbeing, relate to young people's experiences, recognise some signs of mental health distress, start a supportive conversation about mental ill health and practise self-care.

### **Target Audience:**

This course is aimed at the children's workforce who have minimal direct contact with children and young people or limited capacity to attend the two-day training course. Please discuss with your manager whether you should attend the two day course or the three hour "Aware" version.

### **Further information:**

You will get an MHFA manual to keep and refer to whenever you need it. When you complete the session, you'll get a certificate to say you are Youth Mental Health Aware. This training is a taste of the contents of the Youth MHFA Two Day course but not a prerequisite to it.

All booking requests to [WDTInbox@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:WDTInbox@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

### **Experian Right to Work and Onboarding Solutions**

Experian are promoting their background checking services that can speed up the vetting process for newly recruited staff. Please see the attached slide set and flyer for further details about their services.

If you would like to know more, contact Jamie Huckerby (Business Development Executive) on 0115 671 3507, or email [jamie.huckerby@experian.com](mailto:jamie.huckerby@experian.com)

### **Long Term Futures – Recruitment Agency**

We have been contacted by Louis Knight from Long Term Futures, who are a recruitment agency who are looking to promote their services and to offer schools tailored staffing solutions to meet schools' long-term needs.

- Unique partnerships with tangible benefits (LTF Inspire)
- Expertise in SEN and mainstream recruitment
- Transparent, fixed academic-year rates (Bespoke for each school)
- Focussing on staff retention strategies
- Significant investment in job board exposure to increase outreach for our schools

See the attached flyer for more details, and contact Louis Knight (Senior Primary Consultant) if you have any questions.

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***Please note this isn't a recommendation from NST, but we thought you might find their information useful.***