

NST Newsletter: Monday 24th February 2025

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- Walter Halls: SENDCO Needed for September!
- Agreement Trialling Sessions
- Flying High English Hub Newsletter – February 2025 (**1 attachment**)
- Art and Wellbeing - FREE CPD Opportunity, 12 March 2025
- L3 Qualification for Teaching Assistants
- Spring Term Subject Leader Network Meetings



Walter Halls: SENDCO Needed for September!

Walter Halls are looking for their next brilliant SENDCO, due to the retirement of our DHT & SENDCO at the end of this year. Do you know anyone who is looking for a non-class-based role, 3-days per week, focusing entirely on SENDCO leadership?

Here's our advert: <https://www.eteach.com/job/sendco-permanent-3-days--and--non-class-based-1466189?src=email>

Please share far and wide – thank you!

Agreement Trialling Sessions

These sessions will provide a valuable discussion opportunity for early years practitioners, helping them to develop confidence and consistency in making accurate assessment judgements while keeping them informed of local and national updates, sharing ideas and resources to support best practice. The cost for attending is FREE

For colleagues in Preschool:

Areas to be covered:

Literacy and Expressive Arts and Design

We will also be looking at OFSTED trends from recent inspections and we hope to continue to offer SEND specialist support at each of the sessions.

We will be running sessions on:

Tuesday 4 th March Castle Cavendish	9:00-12:00
Tuesday 4 th March Castle Cavendish	13:00-16:00
Wednesday 5 th March Online via MS Teams	9:00-11:30
Wednesday 5 th March Online via MS Teams	13:00-15:30 FULL

For colleagues in Reception:

We will be looking at the new EYFS profile updates and explore systems for quality assurance ahead of data submission, we also hope to continue to offer SEND specialist support at each of the sessions.

Areas to be covered:

Communication and Language and Maths

We will be running sessions on:

Tuesday 25 th March Castle Cavendish	9:00-12:00
Tuesday 25 th March Castle Cavendish	13:00-16:00 LIMITED
Wednesday 26 th March Online via MS Teams	9:00-11:30
Wednesday 26 th March Online via MS Teams	13:00-15:30 FULL

To book your place select and click on the link: [Online Booking Form](#)



Flying High English Hub Newsletter – February 2025

Please find attached a copy of the latest newsletter from the English Hub.

Art and Wellbeing - FREE CPD Opportunity, 12 March 2025

**Tuesday 12 March, 4-5.30pm: Art and Wellbeing: Free CPD
at Whitemoor Academy, Bracknell Crescent, NG8 5FF**

There is strong evidence for the importance of arts and creativity to children's health and well-being. Following the launch of the Nottingham Healthy Child vision in November 2024 we invite Primary staff to join us for a practical session exploring ways to integrate creativity into classroom practice. You'll find out about practitioners and artists with relevant interest and experience that you can connect with to enhance your work and have chance to share and learn from each other.

This session is aimed at any member of staff and is particularly relevant for staff with mental health and well-being responsibilities. [Art & Well-Being Booking Form HERE](#)

L3 Qualification for Teaching Assistants

The AIM Group have a NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Children & Young People's Workforce, which is completely FREE of charge for all TAs and one-to-ones.

Details:

- Self-study over 9 months
- Allocated Tutor Support
- No need to attend a college
- 2-hour Bi-Weekly Online session via Microsoft Teams with Tutor (held in the evening)
- 3-4 online, virtual observations throughout the 9-month course

Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be aged 19 or over as of 31st August 2024
- Have been living in the UK or EU for the past 3 years
- Not currently completing another Government funded course
- Access to a laptop or computer at home
- Contracted as a TA or one-to-one
- Working with Year Groups - Year 1 or above
- Must be earning less than £25,000 per year

Process:

If interested and eligible, email Joe Rigg (Qualifications Manager) at joe.rigg@theaimgroup.co.uk

Details to include:

- Personal email
- Full name
- Telephone number
- Home postcode
- School name
- Year group

Joe will then contact you directly to explain how the course will work in more detail.

Spring Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

The following Subject Leader Network meetings are now available to book via our booking platform, Universe. Click on the hyperlinks below for further details/to book in:

- PE, School Sport and Physical Activity Network – [Monday 24th February 1.15pm to 3.15pm](#)
- English Network – [Wednesday 26th February, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)

- Design and Technology Network – [Tuesday 4th March, 2.00pm to 4.00pm](#)
- Assessment Leads Network – [Thursday 6th March, timings TBC \(full day session\)](#)
- Inclusion Network – [Thursday 13th March, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- Science Network – [Monday 17th March, 1.00pm to 4.00pm](#)
- Art Network – [Thursday 20th March, 1.30pm to 3.30pm](#)

If you have any queries or if you experience any issues when using these booking links, please let [Emily](#) know.