



SWTSA Newsletter – May 2018

Keeping you updated! Opportunities to collaborate & progress together...

We are delighted to announce the successful appointment of Briony Vallis as the new SWTSA SLE for Drama. She has a wealth of experience and is based in St Peters, Exeter, please get in touch if you need any school to school support with Drama Sophie.rae@kingsbridgecollege.org.uk

Teach Meet - **Sharing Excellent Practice in STEM Education in Hong Kong and the UK**
The University of Exeter are hosting 15 STEM Teachers from Hong Kong for a 4 week CPD programme and invite you to join them for a TeachMeet with the theme:

E-Learning and Digital Technologies for STEM

Using innovative digital technologies to support STEM education

- Presentation from Hong Kong Teachers about their approaches to STEM teaching and learning
- Sharing best practice between Hong Kong and UK teachers

Broadclyst Community Primary School, School Lane, Exeter, EX5 3JG
Wednesday 16th May 2018 4pm to 6pm, Refreshments will be provided

Sign up for free on Eventbrite –

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/teachmeet-international-tickets-44549430546>

Diary Dates

May

- **15th**
SLE Annual Workshop,
KCC 15.30 – 17.00
- **16th**
Teachmeet
E Learning and Digital Technologies for STEM
[Book here](#)
- **21st**
Teachmeet
Ivybridge Community College
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#TMSouthWest



TeachMeet South West,
Ivybridge Community College
Monday 21 May 4.30-6.30pm



June

- **11th** SEN Subject
Network Meeting –
Registration [Book here](#)
- **19th**
Maths Subject
Network meeting, St
Peters Exeter
College
- **19th** SWTSA IG
meeting –
0930 – 1100, Stoke
Damerel Community

SWTSA Joint Inset Day 2018 - Friday October 19th

Subject specific workshops to be run across SWTSA network – details to follow

Teach School Council News.....



BUILDING UP CAPACITY OF SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGERS

The DfE's Schools Commercial Team (SCT) are interested in exploring how Teaching School Alliances can support their work to deliver the Schools' Buying Strategy. They are keen to explore a number of options on how best to build the capacity and capability of school business managers (SBMs) within the system, to help drive improvements in how schools manage their non-staff spend. If you have a SBM, quite likely to be an SLE, who would like to register their interest can you please e-mail chris.mitten@me.com with the SBM details; name and e-mail

LEADING A MENTALLY HEALTHY SCHOOL – 2 DAY PROGRAMME

The DfE are supporting a new two-day programme, aimed at senior leaders in schools, in developing a whole-school strategy towards positive mental health. Leading a Mentally Healthy School (LaMHS) developed by SDSA in partnership with Health Education England is available to all TSAs nationally through a cascade model. Teaching Schools can book free places on the Train the Trainer programme via: <https://www.tscouncil.org.uk/leading-a-mentally-healthy-school/>

Diary Dates

June contd.

- **21st - English**
Subject network, Heles
- **27th - PE**
Subject Network Meeting - Assessment and curriculum planning – KCC [Book here](#)

Somerset Partnership Teaching School



West Country Teaching School Alliance

SCIENCE LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

Creating a buzz and raising the profile of primary science

Your enthusiasm for science and creativity in your planning can enthuse and inspire your pupils about the thrill of scientific ideas and science enquiry.

The course

This action packed course will leave you full of practical ideas and resources to enrich primary science in your school.

Outcomes

You'll be able to make scientific enquiry challenging and exciting for your pupils. You'll generate ideas for science teaching and will gain access to range of local resources and organisations to support your activities.



"The course was both useful and informative. A very enjoyable day with lots of ideas I will be taking back into school, feeding back to colleagues and implementing in the future."

Chris Hudson, 2016 participant

Date: 29th June
09.30 – 15.30

Pricing: £130 maintained
£250 non maintained

Location: Uffculme School,
EX15 3AG

EEF Workshop

SWTSA and the **Kingsbridge Research School** are pleased to offer this free half day Implementation workshop with Professor Jonathan Sharples, author of the EEF guidance report 'Putting Evidence to Work: A School's Guide to Implementation'. The workshop will be in the Plymouth area – venue TBC. Register now by completing the google booking form [here](#)

With a focus on four key stages: Explore – Prepare – Deliver – Sustain. Aimed:

- Head teachers
- Senior Leaders
- Heads of Department

Designed to help implementation of school improvement decision; programme/practice, whole-school or targeted approach, or internal or externally generated ideas.

July

- **12th Research School**
09.00 – 12.30
Plymouth

EEF Guidance Report Workshop

For more information click [here](#)

Book now at www.stem.org.uk/rp117

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Please forward any items for inclusion into this communication before the 15th of the Month