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Gwella Ysgolion Rhanbarthol Gogledd Cymru

Regional School Effectiveness &
Improvement Service for North Wales

GwE Bulletin

Regional Shirley Clarke Project ★NEW★

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT ACTION RESEARCH TEAMS

There are up to 200 places for the region's schools to join Tier 2 of this exciting project for 2018-2019.

The aim of the project is that all schools across the region will be part of the project by 2019-2020.

Full details available [here](#).

Opportunities with GwE

Teaching Assistants' Learning Pathway [TALP] Co-ordinator

A PART-TIME [0.6] OPPORTUNITY FOR A PROFESSIONAL WITH RELEVANT LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE WHO WORKS EFFECTIVELY AS PART OF A TEAM, TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING THE NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL LEARNING PATHWAY FOR TEACHING ASSISTANTS ACROSS THE REGION.

Secondment on present terms and conditions – the Governing Body must agree on this before you apply

[Click here](#) for a copy of the advert.

For an informal discussion about the post please contact **Stephanie Cartmel**, on **07557 759836** or e-mail stephaniecartmel@gwegogledd.cymru

Application letters including your CV are invited by **10:00AM, THURSDAY, 17 MAY 2018** to anwengwilym@gwegogledd.cymru

National Reading and Numeracy Tests 2018

Headteacher's Declaration for the National Reading and Numeracy Tests 2018 ★NEW★

When the last test for the testing cycle has been administered, the headteacher must sign and submit a declaration to test@gwegogledd.cymru

[Click here](#) for further information.

National Reading and Numeracy Tests 2018 – A Quick Guide for Schools

[Click here](#) to access guidance on administering the tests. The guidance includes key dates, disapplication information, monitoring and moderation.

Congratulations

Professional Teaching Awards Cymru 2018

On Sunday, 13 May 2018, the achievements of teachers throughout the country were honoured at the 'Professional Teaching Awards Wales' awards ceremony at Hensol Castle, Vale of Glamorgan. GwE wishes to congratulate all nominees, and especially the winners.

[Click here](#) to view the winners from the GwE consortium.

'Hack your Wardrobe' Competition Winners ★NEW★

Earlier this year we ran a competition for all the schools that participated in 'Cracking the Code', a Welsh Government initiative whose aim is to increase the number of code clubs operating in schools in Wales. [Click here](#) to continue reading.

Primary Training Opportunities

Literacy and Numeracy Network Meeting Summer Term ★NEW★

Helen Bowen will be leading on the development of Oracy, progressing from the first session, offering further guidance to Leaders on the development of purposeful Oracy in the support of learning, thinking and communication across the whole curriculum and school life.

[Click here](#) for further information and to register.

NRICHing Mathematics for All

12 JUNE 2018 – VENUE CYMRU

13 JUNE 2018 – BEAUFORT PARK HOTEL, MOLD

This programme will provide KS2 teachers with the opportunity to work together on a range of rich tasks from the NRICH website and to explore how they can be used with all learners to develop ways of working mathematically.

For further information, [click here](#).

Developing Skills Across All Areas of Learning in the Outdoors from Nursery to Year 2 (for Teaching Assistants)

HALF DAY WORKSHOP FOR FOUNDATION PHASE TEACHING ASSISTANTS

- What is 'outdoor learning'?
 - Guidance and ideas for developing particular skills (outcomes 3 – 6) in the outdoors across all areas of learning.
 - Case study on 'effective outdoor learning'.
- [Click here](#) for dates and venues.

Talk4Writing Training

An exciting opportunity for regional schools to catch up again with official licensed Talk4Writing training.

- Talk4Writing – Fiction for Foundation Phase
MONDAY, 21 MAY 2018 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO
Training in how to use and implement Talk4Writing in the Foundation Phase classroom, to develop fiction writing across the curriculum. [Click here](#) to register.
- Talk4Writing – Non-Fiction Writing for KS2
Training in how to use and implement Talk4Writing in the KS2 classroom, to develop non-fiction writing across the curriculum.
[Click here](#) to register.

Assessment for Learning: Working Smarter not Harder – Gareth Coombes

Training for all primary school headteachers or leaders of learning

One representative from each school.

Guidance on ensuring effective and consistent use of Assessment for Learning throughout the school.

Secondary Training Opportunities

KS3 Schemes of Work and the New Developments

DATE AND VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED

One day session for Heads of Welsh on drawing up Schemes of Work in the transition period between meeting the needs of the curriculum and current specifications and the plans for the future.

There will be an example of work from one of the pioneer schools and an opportunity for guided collaboration on units of work.

To register, contact eirianharris@gwegogledd.cymru

For more information,

contact rhianmairjones@gwegogledd.cymru

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Secondary Conference – Leading Teaching & Learning

TUESDAY, 3 JULY 2018 – REGISTRATION DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Other Training Opportunities

New Headteachers and Acting Headteachers' Summer Term Workshop

★NEW★

THURSDAY, 24 MAY 2018 – 09:00-16:00 – OPTIC, ST ASAPH

Summer Term Workshop which will be led by the highly regarded Dave Harris who is a Director of Independent Thinking and a respected national leader in the field of education management.

[Click here](#) for further information and to register.

"Plan, Do, Review" Workshops

TUESDAY, 5 JUNE 2018

The Professional Learning Passport (PLP) is the ultimate platform for your professional learning. Launched by the Welsh Government (through the EWC) as the national, standardised e-portfolio, it may be used to record and reflect on your professional development.

This session, provided by the Education Workforce Council and open to all practitioners, will show you how to build a portfolio quickly and easily.

For more information, to register and to view the venues, [click here](#).

HLTA Information Sessions

If you're interested in following the HLTA scheme in 2018-2019, come to one of the information sessions for teaching

Further information available [here](#).

Effective Use of Assessment for Learning to Reduce Workload

INTRODUCTION FOR PRIMARY AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS TO SUPPORT MATERIAL WHICH IS BEING SHARED NATIONALLY.

One representative from each school invited – Headteacher, Middle Leader, Assessment Leader, Teaching and Learning Leader.

[Click here](#) for further information and registration details.

Digital Competence

[Click here](#) to see all courses that are available. It's now possible for you to register on courses being held now, up to the end of July 2018.

Love Learning Through Film

TUESDAY, 10 JULY 2018 – GALERI, CAERNARFON

This is the third training event as part of GwE's partnership with Into Film Cymru. You will meet and learn about the work of Into Film's ambassadors in North Wales and national award winners who are based in the region. There will also be an animation workshop during the day. **This is a Welsh medium event.** [Click here](#) for further information and to register.

assistants and their headteachers/managers, to be held across the region between 4 and 7 June 2018.

Follow [this link](#) for further information, including information about exact dates and venues.

Cracking the Code

[Click here](#) to see the latest dates and venues for the 'Cracking the Code' training where you can receive instruction and resources to run a Coding Club in your school.

Professional Development Opportunities

The Graduate Teacher Programme

Graduate Teacher Programme (GTP) is an employment-based route into teaching in Wales which offers a way to qualify as a teacher while you work. For further information, [click here](#).

Conferences and Opportunities by Others

'Teach on the Beach' Course – Natural Resources Wales & Eni UK Ltd ★NEW★

THURSDAY, 7 JUNE 2018 – ENI FIELD STUDY CENTRE AND TALACRE BEACH

Want to use your local coastline as a natural resource to learn in, learn about and learn for?

[Click here](#) for further information.

Estyn Conference – Curriculum Innovation in Primary Schools

GLASDIR, LLANRWST – TUESDAY, 22 MAY 2018

Discover how primary and all-age schools have been preparing for the new curriculum through workshops on effective practice and hearing inspection insights.

For further information, [click here](#).

Training Opportunities in the Incredible Years® and KiVa® Anti-bullying Programmes

★NEW★

*** All participants MUST have done the three-day Classroom Dina training prior to this training. ***

All Parent Consultation / Supervision meetings are open to anyone who has had the BASIC training in the Incredible Years® programmes and are delivering or **planning** to deliver the programme. [Click here](#) for further information.

STEM Workshop

WEDNESDAY, 23 MAY 2018 – M SPARC, GAERWEN

Family friendly fun!

[Click here](#) for further information.

Annual Regional Primary Headteacher Conference

THURSDAY, 7 JUNE 2018 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

Kirsty Williams AC/AM, Cabinet Secretary for Education, invites you to Venue Cymru, Llandudno on 7 June 2018 to attend and take part in the Regional Primary Headteacher Conference.

Please direct any queries to Leanne.Thomas21@gov.wales

Event arranged by Technquest for Primary Schools:

- [Effective Leadership in Science \(Primary\)](#)

DATE HAS CHANGED

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 5 AND 6 JULY 2018

CONWY BUSINESS CENTRE, CONWY, LL31 9XX

Further information regarding the above event can be viewed on our website by [clicking here](#).

External Opportunities

[School Effectiveness Officer](#)

[\[Primary/Secondary\]](#) ★NEW★

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For information regarding the vacancy, please see the links below:

[JOB DESCRIPTION](#)

[APPLICATION FORM](#)

CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY, 25 MAY 2018

For further information, [click here](#).

[Head of Ysgol Bodhyfryd](#)

This is an advertisement for the post of Head teacher at a Welsh-medium School in Wrexham, for which the ability to speak Welsh is essential. All information, including an application form, can be accessed [here](#).

[School Effectiveness Officer](#) ★NEW★

CONWY COUNTY COUNCIL

For information regarding the vacancy, please see the links below:

[JOB ADVERT](#)

[JOB DESCRIPTION AND PERSON SPECIFICATION](#)

CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, 28 MAY 2018

For further information, [click here](#).

News

[Summer 2018 Examinations Questionnaire](#)

Qualifications Wales is inviting learners, teachers, lecturers and anyone with an interest in the summer exams, to share their views by completing a short online questionnaire. The questionnaire will be open from **8 May until 6 July**. [Click here](#) for further information.

[Hwb Platform: Changes to Access Arrangements](#)

The Welsh Government has changed the way schools provide access to the Hwb education portal and managed learning environment (the Hwb Platform) for their staff and learners. [This letter](#) explains those changes and what you need to do next.

[Welsh at Work in North Wales](#)

A [new report](#) on the situation of the Welsh language in north Wales was launched last week, with a contribution by GwE and a presentation by Eysyllt Maelor on GwE's strategy.

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