



## **GwE Bulletin**



# Best wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous new year to you all



## **Numeracy [Procedural] Personalised Assessments**

NUMERACY [PROCEDURAL] PERSONALISED ASSESSMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

Following on from the message [here] last month, Welsh Government is now pleased to confirm that the online personalised assessments are available to schools right now.

Welsh Government has produced a <u>simple animation</u> introducing the personalised assessments.

For further information, please click here.

#### **GwE Offer on G6**

As you know, the GwE Offer, which includes all the details of the professional development training that GwE offers over the next year, is now live on G6 [https://g6.gwegogledd.cymru].

To register to attend the training listed, all school staff will need to create a personal account on the G6.

This can be done by following this link and clicking on the 'Register Now' button. Please see the manuals here.

#### ★ EVENTS IN THE FIRST FORTNIGHT OF THE NEW YEAR ★

TRAINING	DATE	VENUE
1C Induction NQTs [Plas Menai]	08/01/2019	Plas Menai, Caernarfon
CLEAPSS: Keep it Safe! Health & Safety in practical Science for New Teachers [Secondary – English]	09/01/2019	Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction
Building Skills – Lego Based Therapy Training	14/01/2019	Glasdir, Llanrwst
1C Induction NQTs [St Asaph]	16/01/2019	OpTIC, St Asaph
Effective Modelling using Spreadsheets [Welsh, Plas Menai]	16/01/2019	Plas Menai, Caernarfon
Secondary English Regional Meeting – 16/1/19 – Venue Cymru, Llandudno	16/01/2019	Venue Cymru, Llandudno
1C Induction NQTs [Wrexham]	17/01/2019	Glyndŵr University, Wrexham
Effective Modelling using Spreadsheets [Eng, Mold]	17/01/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold

## **GwE Development Programmes**

#### National HLTA Conference \*NEW\*

FRIDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2019 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

A national HLTA Conference will be held on 22 February at Venue Cymru, Llandudno. There will be two keynote speakers: Prof. Mick Waters, lead author of the new Professional Standards for Assisting Teaching and Prof. Andy Cope, author of "The Art of Brilliance". There is no fee for attending the Conference and HLTA supply costs will be reimbursed. There's a warm welcome for Headteachers too.

REGISTER THROUGH G6.

#### Message for Headteachers about NPQH Programme \*NEW\*

If you're interested in acting as a NPQH panel member in 2018-2019 or in the future, please e-mail Ann Grenet for more information on <a href="mailto:npqh@gwenorth.wales">npqh@gwenorth.wales</a>

Here are some of the comments made by former and current panel members about the experience:

"The process was very helpful in encouraging personal reflection and I will be implementing some of the strategies discussed by candidates" "Professional development and the knowledge that one has assisted in the process of developing future leaders"

#### **HLTA Information Sessions** [w/c 07/01/2019]

#### FOR TEACHING ASSISTANTS AND THEIR HEADTEACHER/MANAGERS

You're welcome to attend any of the sessions listed here on our website.

Alternatively, should you require any further information, please contact: hlta@gwenorth.wales 01286 679976

#### **Secondary English Regional Meeting**

WEDNESDAY, 16 JANUARY 2019 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

The focus of this term's meeting will be performance in English at KS3 and, in particular, how we can improve standards of writing.

This will be a full day event and is suited to Heads of English or KS3 Subject Leaders.

Please contact Annalloydwilliams@gwegogledd.cymru if you have any further questions.

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#### Science - Engaging Learners [Secondary - Bilingual - Llandudno]

TUESDAY, 26 MARCH 2019 – VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

This course is provided as part of the Science Hub School programme by the Science teachers from Ysgol Eirias.

**REGISTER THROUGH G6.** 

## **Shirley Clarke: Conference for Headteachers**

FRIDAY, 29 MARCH 2019 - 8:50AM-4:00PM - VENUE CYMRU, LLANDUDNO

An opportunity for all Headteachers in the region to receive information directly from Shirley Clarke about research and developments in the Formative Assessment area.

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### **Conferences and Opportunities by Others**

Please find below details of opportunities that you may find useful for your school. Please note that GwE does not necessarily endorse or quality assure the opportunities below. For any queries, please contact the organisations directly:

#### **Estyn Conference: Curriculum Innovation in Primary Schools**

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2019 - CITY HALL, CARDIFF

Estyn are inviting a representative from primary and all-age schools to join them at their conference in February.

For further information, click here.

REGISTRATION CLOSING DATE: THURSDAY, 10 JANUARY 2019.

#### **Embracing Change in Secondary Schools**

TUESDAY, 22 JANUARY 2019 – FLINT HIGH SCHOOL, FLINT

How do secondary schools start preparing for the New Curriculum for Wales?

Flint High School, a Professional Learning Pioneer School, is offering secondary schools in North Wales the opportunity to attend a workshop aimed at sharing practical ideas for how your setting can start preparing for the New Curriculum.

Click here for further information.

To book your place email Jason Newham at: jason.newham@flint.flintshire.sch.uk by Friday, 18th January 2019.

## **Miscellaneous Information and Surveys**

#### New Podcast! – Schools as Learning Organisations ★NEW★

Listen to Mrs. Lliwen Jones, Headteacher at Ysgol Tregarth, Bangor talk about how her team has used the 'Schools as Learning Organisations' [SLO] approach. [Welsh Version Only]. Listen here.

#### Qualifications Wales – Opportunities to Help Shape Future Qualifications ★NEW★

NON-EXAMINATION ASSESSMENT

Qualifications Wales is inviting teachers to take part in focus groups between January and March 2019 to discuss their experiences of non-examination assessment [NEA] in ten different GCSE subjects. To find out more or to sign up to take part, please click here.

#### Written Statement: Launch of the Public Consultation on the Draft Additional Learning Needs Code

#### **★NEW**★

The consultation on the draft ALN Code and proposed regulations is live.

For further information, click <u>here</u>. Have your say <u>here</u>.

#### Developing a National Youth Stakeholder Group in conjunction with Welsh Government

CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT EMOTIONAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH!

Do you want to help Welsh Government to design a whole school approach to emotional wellbeing and mental health?

You can download the application from here.

Further information, available here

**CLOSING DATE: 10 JANUARY 2019** 

#### Welsh Language Music Day 2019

#### FRIDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2019

Be a part of Welsh Language Music Day 2019, Friday 8 February 2019 – that's the date for the diaries of music fans from Wales and the world for the fourth annual Welsh Language Music Day – Dydd Miwsig Cymru.

#### Welsh Language Skills Survey

During April and May this year, a link was sent to all schools in the region with a kind request for all the staff to complete a survey on their Welsh Language skills.

Now, a tailored report outlining the results in you school is available to you on G6. Click here for instructions on where to find it.

If there is no report on G6 for your school, it's likely that either no one in your school completed the questionnaire / only one person completed it or that the number of respondents is not representative of your school. If this is the case, your Education Director will contact you with instructions for a further opportunity to complete it.

Please send any further enquires to <a href="mailto:ArolwgSgiliaulaithGymraeg@gwegogledd.cymru">ArolwgSgiliaulaithGymraeg@gwegogledd.cymru</a>

#### **Interim Youth Work Board Wales**

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH WORKERS TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE THEIR SAY ABOUT YOUTH WORK WITH THE NEW INTERIM YOUTH WORK BOARD FOR WALES

As part of their work the new Interim Youth Work Board recognise the importance of the young person's voice in developing a strategy for youth work in Wales, to enable them to understand what is important to young people, how they feel about the support they receive now and what they want it to look like in the future.

As the first step in this process, they have developed a young people survey.

<u>Click here</u> for further information and to take part.

#### **National Categorisation 2018-2019**

The National Categorisation process will continue for 2018-2019. This <u>supplementary guidance</u> provides schools, consortia and supporting improvement advisers with advice concerning how the judgement relating to the improvement capacity and the decision relating to the support category should be applied, in cases where contextual and other factors may need to be considered.

Click here to view the timetable.

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