GwE Bulletin

National Categorisation 2019-2020

The National Categorisation process will continue for 2019-2020. This supplementary guidance 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 timeline for this year.

Key Stage 4 and 5 Results Validation Period



The window for validating key stage 4 and 5 results is due to open in October. The latest Welsh Government guidance can be found here. Please note it is extremely important that all certificates awarded are claimed. Any approved qualification can contribute towards the performance indicators.

FAO: Shirley Clarke Project Tier 3 Schools



Just a quick reminder of Shirley Clarke's first Tier 3 project training day at Venue Cymru on 20 September 2019. Registration 8:30am onwards. Starts at 9:00am.

Can you please verify that the details of the 2 teachers registered from your school are correct on G6? Several schools have registered only one. Any queries to be directed to catrinmeirion@gwegogledd.cymru



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 G6.

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

TRAINING	DATE	VENUE	MEDIUM
North Wales Repeated Reading Project [Morning Session - Flintshire and Wrexham Schools]	16/09/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English *
North Wales Repeated Reading Project [Afternoon Session - Flintshire and Wrexham Schools]	16/09/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English *
Introduction and Overview to Restorative Schools and Communities	17/09/2019	Venue Cymru, Llandudno	English
North Wales Repeated Reading Project [Morning Session - Conwy and Denbighshire Schools]	17/09/2019	Venue Cymru, Llandudno	English *
North Wales Repeated Reading Project [Afternoon Session - Conwy and Denbighshire Schools]	17/09/2019	Venue Cymru, Llandudno	English *
North Wales Repeated Reading Project [Morning Session - Anglesey and Gwynedd Schools]	18/09/2019	Room 342, Brigantia Building, Bangor University	English *
North Wales Repeated Reading Project [Afternoon Session - Anglesey and Gwynedd Schools]	18/09/2019	Room 342, Brigantia Building, Bangor University	English *
Head of Mathematics Regional Meeting	18/09/2019	Glasdir, Llanrwst	Bilingual
Foundation Phase Baseline Assessment Training (Bryn Eirias - English)	19/09/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Heads of English Network Meetings	19/09/2019	tbc	English
Regional Formative Assessment Action Research project - GwE and Shirley Clarke – Tier 3	20/09/2019	Venue Cymru, Llandudno	Bilingual
Foundation Phase Baseline Assessment Training (Ysgol Eifion Wyn - Welsh)	23/09/2019 *	Ysgol Eifion Wyn, Porthmadog	Welsh
Foundation Phase Baseline Assessment Training (Ysgol Gwenfro - English)	23/09/2019 *	Ysgol Gwenfro, Wrexham	English
Foundation Phase Baseline Assessment Training (Linden House - English)	24/09/2019 *	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
Foundation Phase Baseline Assessment Training (Ysgol Twm o'r Nant - Welsh)	24/09/2019 *	Ysgol Twm o'r Nant, Denbigh	Welsh
Global Futures MFL Primary Training Day: Pilot Schools Cohort 2	24/09/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English

Health and Wellbeing: Keeping learners and staff safe from the risks of the	24/09/2019	Plas Menai, Caernarfon	Bilingual
digital world [Plas Menai, Caernarfon] Global Futures MFL Primary Training Day: Pilot Schools Cohort 1 – NEXT	25/09/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
STEPS Health and Wellbeing; Keeping learners and staff safe from the risks of the	25/09/2019	Tre-Ysgawen, Llangefni	Bilingual
digital world [Tre-Ysgawen, Llangefni] Health and Wellbeing; Keeping learners and staff safe from the risks of the			
digital world [Oakeley Arms, Maentwrog]	26/09/2019	Oakeley Arms, Maentwrog	Bilingual
G2G – Lego Based Therapy training - FULLY BOOKED	26/09/2019	G2G Communities CIC, 41 Bodfor Street, Rhyl	English
Foundation Phase Baseline Assessment Training (Ysgol Cae Top - Welsh)	26/09/2019 *	Ysgol Cae Top, Bangor	Welsh
Trauma Informed Schools [OpTIC, St Asaph]	30/09/2019	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
NorthWORTS [Morning Session - Flintshire and Wrexham Schools] - Headsprout Trans Regional Implementation Project, 2019-20	30/09/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English *
NorthWORTS [Afternoon Session - Flintshire and Wrexham Schools] - Headsprout Trans Regional Implementation Project, 2019-20	30/09/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English *
NorthWORTS [Morning Session - Conwy and Denbighshire Schools] - Headsprout Trans Regional Implementation Project, 2019-20	01/10/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English *
Induction Programme for New TAs (Cohort A - ENGLISH - OpTic)	01/10/2019	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
Induction Programme for New TAs (Cohort A - WELSH - Plas Menai)	01/10/2019	Plas Menai, Caernarfon	Welsh
NorthWORTS [Afternoon Session - Conwy and Denbighshire Schools] - Headsprout Trans Regional Implementation Project, 2019-20	01/10/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English *
NorthWORTS [Morning Session - Anglesey and Gwynedd Schools] - Headsprout Trans Regional Implementation Project, 2019-20	02/10/2019	Galeri, Caernarfon	English *
NorthWORTS [Afternoon Session - Anglesey and Gwynedd Schools] - Headsprout Trans Regional Implementation Project, 2019-20	02/10/2019	Galeri, Caernarfon	English *
Cross curricular literacy & numeracy at KS2 [venue in North East Wales]	03/10/2019	Venue to be confirmed	Bilingual
Foundation Phase (<u>for Conwy FPh TAs</u> , in English - Ysgol Nant y Groes) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	07/10/2019	Ysgol Nant y Groes, Colwyn Bay	English
Foundation Phase (<u>for Conwy FPh TAs</u> , in Welsh - Ysgol Porth y Felin) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practice	07/10/2019	Ysgol Porth y Felin, Conwy	Welsh
Foundation Phase (<u>for Conwy Teachers</u> , in English - Ysgol Nant y Groes) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	07/10/2019	Ysgol Nant y Groes, Colwyn Bay	English
Foundation Phase (<u>for Conwy Teachers</u> , in Welsh - Ysgol Porth y Felin) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	07/10/2019	Ysgol Porth y Felin, Conwy	Welsh
Developing Best Practice in the Teaching of English - Suitable for : All Teachers of English with a particular interest in research and methodology	07/10/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Induction Programme for New TAs (Cohort B - ENGLISH GROUP - Beaufort Park Hotel)	08/10/2019	Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold	English
Induction Programme for New TAs (Cohort B - WELSH GROUP - Beaufort Park Hotel)	08/10/2019	Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold	Welsh
Foundation Phase (<u>for TAs</u> , in Welsh - Linden House) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	09/10/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	Welsh
Foundation Phase (<u>for TAs</u> , in English - OpTIC) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practice	09/10/2019	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in Welsh - Linden House) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	09/10/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in English - OpTIC) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practice	09/10/2019	OpTIC, St Asaph	English
SAFMEDS: Improving the Quality of Numeracy Provision [Mold, morning session]	09/10/2019	Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold	Bilingual
SAFMEDS: Improving the Quality of Numeracy Provision [Mold, afternoon session]	09/10/2019	Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold	Bilingual
Welsh on the borders: Workshop	11/10/2019	Beaufort Park Hotel, Mold	Welsh
Cross curricular literacy & numeracy at KS2 [venue in Central North Wales]	14/10/2019	Venue to be confirmed	Bilingual
Foundation Phase (for TAs, in English - Alyn Waters) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practice	14/10/2019	Alyn Waters, Gwersyllt, Wrexham	English
Foundation Phase (for TAs, in Welsh - Coed y Brenin) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	14/10/2019	Coed y Brenin, Dolgellau	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in Welsh - Coed y Brenin) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	14/10/2019	Coed y Brenin, Dolgellau	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in English - Alyn Waters) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	14/10/2019	Alyn Waters, Gwersyllt, Wrexham	English

Foundation Phase (for TAs, in English - Linden House) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	15/10/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
Grief and Bereavement in schools – Child Bereavement UK	15/10/2019	Porth Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Foundation Phase (for TAs - Oriel Môn) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	15/10/2019	Oriel Môn, Llangefni	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in English - Linden House) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	15/10/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in Welsh - Oriel Môn) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	15/10/2019	Oriel Môn, Llangefni	Welsh
Conwy / Denbighshire Secondary Literacy Leaders Network Meeting	16/10/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Flintshire / Wrexham Secondary Literacy Leaders Network Meeting	17/10/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
Cross curricular literacy & numeracy at KS2 [venue in North West Wales]	17/10/2019	Venue to be confirmed	Bilingual
Foundation Phase (for TAs, in Welsh - Celtic Royal) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	17/10/2019	Celtic Royal Hotel, Caernarfon	Welsh
Foundation Phase (for Teachers, in Welsh - Celtic Royal) Embedding the 12 pedagogical principles into everyday practices	17/10/2019	Celtic Royal Hotel, Caernarfon	Welsh
SAFMEDS: Improving the Quality of Numeracy Provision [Caernarfon, morning session]	21/10/2019	Plas Menai, Caernarfon	Bilingual
Developing Oracy Across the Curriculum	21/10/2019	Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction	English
Improving the impact of Literacy Intervention - Suitable for Teaching Assistants / Classroom teachers responsible for delivering Literacy intervention to KS3 learners	21/10/2019	GwE, Linden House, Mold	English
SAFMEDS: Improving the Quality of Numeracy Provision [Plas Menai, afternoon session]	21/10/2019	Plas Menai, Caernarfon	Bilingual
SAFMEDS: Improving the Quality of Numeracy Provision [Wrexham, morning session]	22/10/2019	Ysgol y Grango, Wrexham	Bilingual
Health and Wellbeing; Keeping learners and staff safe from the risks of the digital world [Catrin Finch Centre, Wrexham]	22/10/2019	Catrin Finch Centre, Wrexham	Bilingual
SAFMEDS: Improving the Quality of Numeracy Provision [Wrexham, afternoon session]	22/10/2019	Ysgol y Grango, Wrexham	Bilingual
MAT Writing: Speaking & Writing Effectively in KS2	23/10/2019	Venue Cymru, Llandudno	Bilingual
IZak9: Engaging underachieving groups of learners within mathematics using IZak9	23/10/2019	GwE, Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay	English
Health and Wellbeing; Keeping learners and staff safe from the risks of the digital world [OpTIC, St Asaph]	23/10/2019	OpTIC, St Asaph	Bilingual
Autumn Term Secondary Science Subject Leaders Network Meeting	24/10/2019	Conwy Business Centre	Bilingual

^{*} Bilingual resources available * Twilight Session [After school]

Digital Health and Wellbeing – Events for Headteachers and Senior Leaders



Special events have been arranged by GwE and South West Grid Learning that will focus on the role of school leaders in protecting their learners and staff from the dangers of the digital world. During these sessions we will also be discussing the effects of these dangers on the mental, emotional and physical wellbeing of children and adults and making links to the content of the Health and Wellbeing AoLE. You can now register through G6.

Foundation Phase Baseline Training

This training is for new to Foundation Phase teachers and those who would like a better understanding of the Baseline.



Professional Programmes

Teaching Assistants' Learning Pathway

2019-20 national training programmes for **teaching assistants** starting now! There is an Induction programme for new TAs [in post for less than two years] and a

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programme for Practising TAs [in post for two years +]. Supply costs will be paid to your school. Please register via G6. For more information, click here.

NPQH - REMINDER

Applications for NPQH 2019-2020 including LSR should be returned to the Consortium by 1:00pm on Monday, 16 September 2019. Further information available **here**.

Experienced Headteachers Development Programme

This national programme is a new professional learning opportunity for experienced headteachers. It has been created to enable headteachers to reflect on their current performance and determine their next steps in ensuring effective leadership. Places on the programme are expected to be in high demand. Please <u>click here</u> for further information and the application process (closing date 23/09/19).

MLDP – Middle Leadership Development Programme

This one-year national development programme is a professional learning opportunity for middle leaders across Wales. The application process is now open to those who expressed an interest in the summer term and can be accessed by <u>clicking here</u>.

Post-16 Leadership Development Programme

We are delighted to present our Post – 16 Leadership Development Programme. Aimed at existing, new, or aspiring post-16 leaders, it offers the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills to face the challenges of post-16 leadership. It forms part of the national strategy for succession planning. Link to programme here.







NORTH WALES REPEATED READING PROJECT

SUITABLE FOR: Key Stage 2 and lower Key Stage 3 teachers and teaching assistants who are working with pupils who need to improve their reading fluency.

Teachers/teaching assistants will be offered a half day training session on how to improve pupils' reading fluency through implementing TWO evidence-based reading fluency interventions: Repeated Reading, and a High Frequency Words fluency intervention.

Full details available on G6.

For further information, please contact: richardwatkins@gwegogledd.cymru

REGISTER THROUGH G6.

HEADSPROUT READING PROGRAMME NORTH WALES ONLINE READING TRIAL STUDY - TRANS REGIONAL IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT

SUITABLE FOR: Foundation Phase, Key Stage 2 and lower Secondary Teachers and teaching assistants.



Teachers and/or teaching assistants will be offered a half day training session to help schools implement an evidence-based English reading programme called Headsprout Early Reading (HER) and Headsprout Reading Comprehension (HRC). Headsprout is an English language reading and comprehension teaching programme that has already been used successfully to improve the reading skills of pupils in schools across North Wales.



Full details available on G6.

For further information, please contact: richardwatkins@gwegogledd.cymru

REGISTER THROUGH G6.

Opportunities with GwE

Support Officer [Temporary]

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The ability to communicate fluently in Welsh is essential for this post.

For an informal discussion about the post please contact Susan Owen Jones / Ann Grenet on 0300 500 80 87 or e-mail to susanowenjones@gwegogledd.cymru / anngrenet@gwegogledd.cymru

For further information, click here

CLOSING DATE: 10:00AM, THURSDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2019

Welsh – Y Gymraeg

Welsh Sabbatical Course [Foundation Level]

CLOSING DATE TO DECLARE INTEREST: 1 NOVEMBER 2019

A course for English-medium primary teachers teaching Welsh as a second language, who have a grasp of Welsh and can greet etc. in Welsh and who wish to increase confidence in introducing the Welsh language to children, and develop Welsh language resources for the school.

Click here for further information.

Applications for the Welsh in Education Fund: Promoting Welsh as a Subject

The Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol invites schools and further education colleges (that offer Welsh A Level - first and second language) to submit applications for grants to promote Welsh as a subject. More information can be found here:

http://www.colegcymraeg.ac.uk/en/aboutus/formsanddocuments/promotingwelshasasubject/

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:

Inclusion Officer – Early Years [Denbighshire County Council]

CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2019

For further information regarding this post, please click here.











<u>Supporting Service Children in Education – Wales Fund</u>

The Minister for Education has announced that she is making £250,000 available again in 2019-2020 to support Service children in Welsh schools. <u>Click here</u> for further information.

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY 30 SEPTEMBER 2019 TO ssce@wlga.gov.uk

MA Education Studies 2019-20

The course offers two routes for those who wish to gain this award.

Students can choose to follow our 15-month full time programme or choose to follow the programme part-time.

Click here to view the modules that are offered in 2019-20 and for further information.

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