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GwE Bulletin

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A MESSAGE FROM GwE

As we come towards the end of another educational year, may we take this opportunity to thank you for your work and support over the year.

In light of the recent national decisions that have had a significant impact on school improvement arrangements in North Wales, rest assured that we will do our utmost to continue to support you as best as we can for the next two terms.

Best wishes to you all and enjoy the break over the summer.

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GwE PROFESSIONAL OFFER: APRIL 2024 - MARCH 2025



[GwE's Professional Learning Offer for April 2024 - March 2025 is live on our website.](#)

Here you will find information regarding all professional learning available to school leaders and practitioners.

GwE NEWS AND INFORMATION

Science and Technology Case Studies [8-11 year olds]

PLANNING FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND CROSS-CURRICULAR SKILLS

Regional practitioners presenting practical ideas on how to develop rich and valuable learning experiences within the Science and Technology AoLE. During the session there will be a focus on the following:

- Contemporary themes and contexts.
- Experiences and enquiries to develop learners' scientific skills and understanding.
- Opportunities to apply the cross-curricular skills.

Register by clicking on one of the dates below:

[19/09/2024 - 16:00-17:30 - GwE Office, Linden House, Mold \[ENGLISH-MEDIUM\]](#)

[03/10/2024 - 16:00-17:30 - GwE Office, Penrallt, Caernarfon \[WELSH-MEDIUM\]](#)



Workshop for Teachers and TAs new to teaching 3-8 year olds (ENG)

One day workshop will focus on:

- Developing further understanding of how to plan opportunities for pupils to practise and apply literacy/numeracy/digital skills within an effective learning environment and appropriate pedagogy.
- Developing further understanding of progression in skills from the Developmental Pathways to the end of PS2.

 **LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED. Register to attend one of the dates below:**

ENGLISH-MEDIUM: [23/09/2024 - Bryn Eirias](#)
[25/09/2024 - Linden House](#)

WELSH-MEDIUM: [18/09/2024 - Bryn Eirias](#)
[26/09/2024 - Penrallt](#)

Senior Leaders in secondary schools who lead on the cross-curricular skills

One day workshop will focus on:

- Strategic planning for the progressive development of the cross-curricular skills across the secondary school.
- Planning professional learning and support for staff to develop provision and teaching of the cross-curricular skills.
- Evaluate progress and standards in cross-curricular skills across the school.

 **LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED. Register for one of the dates below:**

ENGLISH MEDIUM [20/09/2024 – Bryn Eirias](#)
[24/09/2024 – Linden House](#)

WELSH MEDIUM [19/09/2024 – Bryn Eirias](#)
[23/09/2024 – Penrallt](#)

Professional Teaching Awards Cymru 2024

Congratulations to everyone in the GwE region who came out on top in the [Teaching Awards Cymru](#).





RESEARCH AND EVALUATION PROJECTS

Is your school interested in developing teachers as professional enquirers?

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN USING RESEARCH AND ENQUIRY SKILLS AS PART OF YOUR EVALUATION OF BOTH CURRICULUM FOR WALES WORK AND YOUR WIDER PROVISION?

If the answer is yes to any of these questions then you may be interested in joining the [National Professional Enquiry Project \(NPEP\) in 2024-2025](#).

**Is your school looking to help parents support their child's learning at home?**

DO YOU THINK YOUR SCHOOL HAS PARENTS/CARERS OF PUPILS IN YEARS 3, 4, 5, AND/OR 6 WHO COULD TRIAL HOW OUR SUITE OF SAFMEDS NUMERACY FLUENCY-BUILDING RESOURCES CAN BE USED AT HOME?

If so, in the autumn term 2024 we will be offering interested parents an introduction to the materials and show them how they can help their child at home. [Click here for more information](#).

**Is your cluster looking for ways to improve learners' numeracy skills?**

WE'RE KEEN TO HEAR FROM CLUSTERS AND/OR SCHOOLS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN PILOTING AN EVIDENCE-INFORMED NUMERACY PROGRAMME WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK AND GwE

The Inclusive Teaching of Early Numeracy (i-TEN) programme is an evidence-informed maths intervention based on *Maths Recovery*. It is designed to support the development of numeracy skills for struggling learners who are not currently making the expected progress in mathematics and numeracy. i-TEN has been adapted to be accessible for pupils in mainstream settings, and especially for younger learners in primary schools with ALN. We would like to work with ten schools in 2024-25 to evaluate the impact of i-TEN with small groups of learners in mainstream settings. We are especially interested to hear from schools in a cluster that might be interested in working with us. [More information on the i-TEN project here](#).

Please contact richardwatkins@gwegogledd.cymru with your expression of interest.

Can you improve our understanding of how schools have implemented the Curriculum for Wales?

We're looking for curriculum leaders in schools to help us understand how teachers have developed a shared understanding of pedagogy, and how this has influenced learning experiences in schools.

[Click here](#) for more information.



DIGITAL

Hwb Digi Fest

This virtual festival will be held on Monday 2 September between 9:30am and 2:30pm. During the day a series of short workshops will be held by Hwb partners, Adobe, Apple, Britannica, Common Sense Education, Flip, Google, J2E, Microsoft, Minecraft and Technocamps. A great opportunity to upskill all your staff if you have an INSET day organised! [Click here for more information](#).



 **Y GYMRAEG [WELSH]**

Are you Interested in Learning Welsh?

[Click here for further information.](#)

 **GLOBAL FUTURES: INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES**

GwE International Languages Newsletter: [PRIMARY](#) | [SECONDARY](#)

 **PRIMARY SECTOR**

Learning how to teach a language in the primary sector - Fully-funded Open University TELT course

REGISTRATION 2024-2025

Unique opportunity for primary practitioners to learn an international language and be trained to teach languages in primary schools through the Open University. All information and registration [here](#).

 **PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SECTOR**

European day of Languages: 26/09/2024

Ideas to prepare for the celebrations! [European Day of Languages](#)



UK/German Connection Applications open: opportunities for teachers 2024-25

A 'Wunderbar' opportunity to provide linguistic and cultural upskilling to teachers and schools that promote pupils' awareness and intercultural understanding through the medium of German. Your curriculum does not require German. Follow the link [here](#) to apply directly to the UK German Connection.

 **WELSH GOVERNMENT NEWS**

Pilot Project: Support for curriculum and assessment design

If you would like to take part in this pilot project, please [complete this short expression of interest by 11 September 2024](#). [The project's full details are available here](#).





WELSH EDUCATION CONSORTIA NEWS



[Click here](#) to be directed to the Welsh Education Consortia website that provides information on a range of cross-regional professional learning opportunities that are available to all staff across Wales.

National Leadership Development Programmes

We're pleased to share with you the dates of the National Leadership Development Programmes 2024-25.

Applications will open via a link on the GwE website and GwE Bulletin on the dates below.

Applications cannot be submitted prior to the 'Applications open' dates.

	MIDDLE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	SENIOR LEADERS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
Applications open	10/09/2024	17/09/2024
Closing date for submitting application	BY 13:00 ON 03/10/2024	BY 13:00 ON 10/10/2024
Introductory session for successful applicants	W/C 25/11/2024	W/C 25/11/2024
Programme starts	JANUARY 2025	JANUARY 2025

Newly Qualified Teacher Induction Programme

- [Changes to the Newly Qualified Teachers Induction Programme: September 2024](#)
- [NQT National Professional Learning Offer: Autumn term 2024](#)
- [IM/Validator National Professional Learning Offer 2024-2025](#)

Post-16 Professional Learning Programme: Challenging Conversations

The Post-16 Team's National Professional Learning programme provides an opportunity to explore and discuss how Post-16 Leaders can address challenging conversations. To secure a place, please click [this link](#) and complete the short registration form. [Full details available here.](#)

Post-16 Leadership Development Programme

The post-16 leadership development programme is aimed at aspiring, new and existing post-16 leaders and has been designed to offer colleagues the opportunity to develop their knowledge and skills as they prepare for and face the challenges of post-16 leadership. Delivery of the programme is through a blended learning approach and delivered by post-16 specialist regional colleagues and current experienced post-16 leaders.

[Dates, registration and full details available here.](#)

Cross-regional Curriculum for Wales Professional Learning Offer

At the request of schools, the workshops advertised for the Summer term 2024 have been developed as asynchronous, rather than live sessions.

[Click here to view the recordings and PowerPoints from the 2023/24 cross-regional professional learning series for the Areas of Learning and Experience.](#)

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FROM OTHERS



[Tirlun](#)

Take a glimpse at the new and exciting bilingual Designated Landscapes learning portal.

NEW

SUITABLE FOR LEARNERS WORKING WITHIN PROGRESSION STEPS 3 & 4



[National MA Education Programme \[Wales\]](#)

Wrexham University is delighted to be part of the Masters in Education (Wales) programme in collaboration with colleagues from universities across Wales. For more information regarding programme content, entry requirements and possible financial incentives, please visit our website at [National MA Education \(Wales\)](#), Wrexham University or contact Kelly Smith Programme Leader on kelly.smith@wrexham.ac.uk or 01978 293327

NEW

AVAILABLE FOR EDUCATION PRACTITIONERS ACROSS WALES AND HAS FULLY FUNDED PLACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 START, SUBJECT TO ELIGIBILITY.



[National Education \[Wales\] \[English-medium\]](#)

If you are a lead or network school with Bangor University, Welsh Government will sponsor the full tuition fees of any member of teaching staff interested in this programme. For schools who don't host Bangor students, teaching assistants, ALNCOs and teachers in Years 3-6 of their career may still meet the eligibility criteria for funding. For further information please e-mail [Kaydee Owen](mailto:Kaydee.Owen). Further information available [here](#).

POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT - SEPTEMBER 2024/2025 ENTRY



[Summer Programme of Events: Miles Dyslexia Centre](#)

Join a unique series of Dyslexia awareness workshops delivered by specialist Dyslexia tutors from the Miles Dyslexia Centre.

 Tuesday 20th, Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd of August 2024
9.30 – 16.30

PLEASE [E-MAIL](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION/ TO BOOK A PLACE



[DARPL's Enhanced Leadership Series \[Cohort 3 - Autumn 2024\]](#)

If you would like to express your interest, [REGISTER](#).

SUITABLE FOR LEADERS IN EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT, POLICY DEVELOPMENT, RESEARCH, EARLY YEARS, PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND FURTHER EDUCATION, CHILDCARE, AND PLAY WORK.



Carlam Cymru Questionnaire

Please express your views on the resources of the Carlam Cymru project.

[YEAR 10-13 LEARNERS](#)



New Citizenship Resources: BBC Bitesize

BBC Bitesize have brand new resources on Citizenship for [primary](#) and [secondary](#) pupils.

BBC BITESIZE



[PRIMARY \[8-11 year-olds\]](#)

A series of articles to help pupils to understand their human and democratic responsibilities and rights, in the form of short videos, graphics and interactive activities.

Suitable for pupils across Progression Steps 2 and 3.

[SECONDARY \[11-14 year-olds\]](#)

A range of explainer videos and quizzes on Citizenship, from Members of Parliament to the 'First past the post' system.

Suitable for pupils across Progression Steps 3 and 4.

PRIMARY LEARNERS [8-11 YEAR-OLDS]

SECONDARY LEARNERS [11-14 YEAR-OLDS]