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GwE Bulletin

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GwE CONFERENCE

Special Schools Collaboration Day

Venue Cymru, Llandudno 25/10/2024 | 9:15-15:00

All special school leaders, teachers, and support staff across the region are invited to join us to listen to motivational and inspirational speakers and to access focused workshops. We will provide dedicated, bespoke and inspiring professional learning and an opportunity for invaluable networking with your colleagues.

[Full details available here](#). If you require any further information, please contact [Susan Roberts](#).



GwE'S PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OFFER

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GwE NEWS AND INFORMATION

Developing reading in your school using effective strategies and creating a culture of reading for pleasure

1-DAY PROGRAMME | BILINGUAL SESSIONS | 9:00-15:30

During this one day programme, we will explore the different elements of reading that are necessary to create effective readers, including how the power of oracy supports and progresses the skills of a reader. We will share strategies and knowledge to support your journey towards an engaging reading ethos and inspiring your learners' love of reading.

A follow-up task will be set for all attendees, to be monitored for impact by the Link SIA

[Full details available here](#).

DATES, VENUES AND REGISTRATION:

[26/11/2024](#) – Linden House, Mold | [27/11/2024](#) – Bryn Eirias, Colwyn Bay | [28/11/2024](#) – Penrallt, Caernarfon



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GwE Professional Offer



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Developing the Mathematical Proficiencies: 2-day Programme

This development programme is available for Primary and Secondary mathematics practitioners who are teaching 8 to 14 year old learners. During this programme, delegates will develop a comprehensive understanding of the five mathematical proficiencies outlined in the Curriculum for Wales in order to ensure learner progress. [For further information, click here.](#)

Progressive Planning for Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Skills within a 8-11 Classroom Topic

During this two-day programme, practitioners will explore how the different cross-curricular frameworks can be creatively combined to create rich, inspiring and purposeful classroom provision. Participants will engage in hands-on activities and collaborative working to deepen their understanding of cross-curricular planning. [For further information, click here.](#)





LIMITED PLACES LEFT
ON SOME DATES

Workshops to develop pupils' maths, numeracy and digital skills [TEACHERS, TEACHING ASSISTANTS AND MATHS AND NUMERACY CO-ORDINATORS]

PLANNING AND SHARING OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUTHENTIC AND PURPOSEFUL MATHEMATICS AND NUMERACY APPLICATION IN REAL-LIFE SITUATIONS, INCORPORATING EFFECTIVE USE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY TO ENHANCE LEARNING

Description/ Outcomes:

- Develop further understanding of effective planning to ensure progression in the development of early mathematical and numeracy skills (nursery and reception) and up to the end of Progression Step 2. Suitable for Year 1, 2 and 3 practitioners.
- Effective use of digital skills to enhance learning.
- Develop further understanding of effective practice through sharing examples of learning experiences that can be delivered within schools.

1 full day workshop:  9:15 - 15:30  **LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED**

[Dates and registration links available here.](#)

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

PLANNING FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND CROSS-CURRICULAR SKILLS

Regional practitioners present 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:

06/11/2024 - 16:00-17:30 - GwE Office, Linden House, Mold [ENGLISH-MEDIUM] CHANGE OF DATE

~~03/10/2024 - 16:00-17:30 - GwE Office, Penrallt, Caernarfon [WELSH-MEDIUM] SOLD OUT~~



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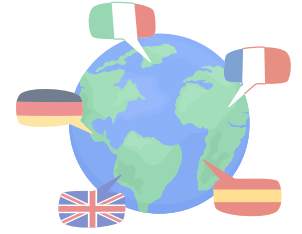
Explore multilingualism across the LLC

DR ELIN ARFON, UCL, PREVIOUSLY CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

13/11/2024 | Online | 15:45-17:00

Secondary practitioners of International Languages, Welsh first language, Welsh in English settings, English.

Interactive session to discuss joint working and developing pedagogical links between Welsh, English and International Languages. [Information and registration here.](#)



TEACHING ASSISTANTS LEARNING PATHWAY [TALP]

An exciting opportunity for new Teaching Assistants!

The **Induction Programme for New Teaching Assistants** is for individuals newly appointed to their role. This national programme will be delivered on a digital platform. Training can be completed at a time convenient to the teaching assistants and their setting. For more information and details of how to register, [click here](#).



RESEARCH AND EVALUATION PROJECTS

Speech, Language, and Communication Needs Practitioner Survey

Are you working in an education setting and would like to share your views on speech, language, and communication needs of children aged 5-8 since the Covid-19 pandemic?

[Please click this link to take part in a short survey.](#)



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 spring term 2025 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.](#)

Y GYMRAEG [WELSH]

Welsh Language Strategic Planning: Leadership development Programme

Are you a headteacher or leader who's interested in strengthening your understanding of the importance of the Welsh language in your school?

There are specific courses for English-medium and Welsh-medium schools being offered cross-regionally in the Autumn and Spring terms. (**Morning sessions over Teams**)

You can register by using the links below:

[ENGLISH-MEDIUM SCHOOLS: 08/10/2024](#)

[WELSH-MEDIUM SCHOOLS: 23/01/2025](#)

[ENGLISH-MEDIUM SCHOOLS: 22/01/2025](#)



Welsh Entry Level Course

FOR ENGLISH-MEDIUM PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHING ASSISTANTS

5 week full-time course at St.Asaph Language Centre 2 June – 4 July 2025

[Click here for further information.](#)



GLOBAL FUTURES: INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES

GwE International Languages Newsletter:

[PRIMARY](#) | [SECONDARY](#)



PRIMARY SECTOR

Embedding International Languages in the primary curriculum

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING TRAINING DAY WITH RICHARD TALLARON, POWER LANGUAGE

26/11/2024 | 9:15-15:00 | Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction.

This day will aim to provide all primary teachers (language specialists or not as well as complete novices) with practical ideas to embed languages effectively in their curriculum. [Information and registration here.](#)

SECONDARY SECTOR

International Languages Secondary Network Meeting

15/10/2024 | 9:15-15:00 | Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction

[Information and registration here.](#)



Literature fires the imagination:

Creative Translation for MFL, Welsh and English

Professional Learning Session | [On-line](#) | 26/11/2024 | 15.30-17.00

[Full details and registration here](#)



**PROFESSIONAL
LEARNING
OPPORTUNITY**



RAISING THE PROFILE OF LANGUAGES & LEARNING EXPERIENCES

GCHQ National Language Competition [NLC]

YEAR 9 | FROM 18-22 NOVEMBER 2024

The competition is aimed at making languages fun, inspiring language-learning and highlighting the many transferrable skills learning a language can also develop. More information on the competition can be accessed by [clicking this link](#). Stakeholder Toolkit in English and Welsh [here](#).

Year 9 Business Language Champions Events in Prestatyn and Aberconwy

DECEMBER 2024

An opportunity for year 9 learners to take part in an exciting and stimulating enterprising day.

[Full information and registration 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.

NEW: National Professional Qualification for Headship [NPQH]

Welsh Government, in collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders, has developed a new NPQH programme.

A pilot version of this new programme will take place in the early Spring Term 2025.

Welsh Government is inviting applications from school leaders, who are ready for headship, to take part in this pilot programme. This invitation will appear in the Dysg newsletter and can be found on the Hwb platform from 9 September until 30 September.

For further details and an application form, [please click this Hwb link](#).

APPLICATIONS OPEN

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.

	<u>MIDDLE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME</u>	<u>SENIOR LEADERS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME</u>
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
Application form	CLICK HERE >>>	CLICK 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.](#)

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](#)

Curriculum for Wales National Programme: Refresher training for Teaching Assistants



11/11/2024 | 9:30-12:00



Online Event



[REGISTER](#) [English-medium]

This session is an update on the Curriculum for Wales for all Teaching Assistants and HLTAs working in Wales. The session will explore the four purposes, progression and assessment and your role in how to support these aspects of the framework in the classroom. [Further information 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 sessions, 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.](#)



WELSH GOVERNMENT NEWS

Professional development review guidance

The guidance brings the arrangements in line with developments in school improvement and professional learning and aims to support the profession to meet the current challenges and ensure that all learners achieve their potential.

Please see the following links to the [guidance](#) and accompanying [case studies](#).

14 to 16 Learning Guidance

On Wednesday, 18/09/2024, the Cabinet Secretary for Education published the [statutory guidance on 14 to 16 Learning](#) under Curriculum for Wales.





MIT Global Teaching Labs (GTL) in Wales

WELSH GOVERNMENT FULLY FUNDED, FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS ACROSS WALES

Delivered by [Equal Education Partners](#) on behalf of Welsh Government, [MIT GTL in Wales](#) enables schools across Wales to draw on the STEM expertise of student-instructors from MIT - the world's leading STEM university - who will be based with the school for 3 weeks.

As well as hosting an MIT student to deliver workshops, interdisciplinary projects and other enrichment activities to your students, GTL in Wales offers the opportunity to work with your MIT student-instructor on curriculum design and development, in line with the new curriculum.

To view the bilingual programme video, click [here](#).

Applications to participate in this programme for January 2025 are now open until Sunday 13th October. To submit an application for your school, please click [here](#).

To register your interest or for any further information, please email Rebecca Booker (Senior Associate for International Partnerships, Equal Education Partners) on rebecca.booker@equaleducationpartners.com, schedule a call [here](#) or register for our information session on Wednesday 4th October at 4pm [here](#).



INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FROM OTHERS



Welsh National Opera's Schools Concert

11/10/2024 | 12:00 | Venue Cymru, Llandudno

Welsh National Opera's Schools' Concert is coming to Venue Cymru in Llandudno on Friday 11 October at 12pm.

Tickets are free and this year the concert will be in Welsh, hosted by Elin Llwyd. The concert is approximately one hour long and an ideal way to introduce primary-aged and lower secondary pupils to classical music and opera, and to experience the full WNO Orchestra and professional opera singers.



FOR BOOKING DETAILS FOR WNO'S SCHOOLS CONCERT, PLEASE CONTACT VENUE CYMRU DIRECTLY AT [VENUECYMRU.CO.UK](http://venuecymru.co.uk) OR 01492 872000



Children in Wales

Price of Pupil Poverty guides and resources- [Education Hwb](#)

The Price of Pupil Poverty guides have been completely updated and extra beneficial resources added including: a full toolkit to help you implement the guides in your school or setting; Mitigating the impact of poverty in STEM education mini guide; Information and Practice guide with advice and findings from schools and settings across Wales that have already been successfully using the resources.

For further information: info@childreninwales.org.uk | [Children in Wales](#) | [Price of Pupil Poverty Resources](#)



TAKING A WHOLE SCHOOL APPROACH TO IMPROVE THE WELLBEING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE FROM LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS WITH A SUITE OF FREE RESOURCES TO HELP REMOVE POVERTY RELATED BARRIERS AND THE 'COST' OF LEARNING IN SCHOOLS AND SETTINGS.



Free Learn Welsh Courses for 16-18 year-olds

This is an opportunity for young people in Further Education to join a series of fun, relaxed virtual sessions to develop their Welsh language skills. Please see [this flyer](#) for further details.



[REGISTER HERE >>>](#)





[Midday Milestones](#)

NEW

[JOIN HERE >>>](#)

11/10/2024 | 12:00 | Online Event

Hear about e-sgol's latest developments outlining our plans for the future in our live midday webinar.



[Love Reading Core Learning Programme](#)

This autumn term the Love Reading Project is offering a free online professional learning programme to support teachers to **boost reading engagement** and motivation in primary schools. Love Reading is **funded by the Welsh Government** and delivered by Cardiff University in partnership with Bangor University.

[Full details available here.](#) Please contact LoveReading@cardiff.ac.uk if you would like further information.

THE LEARNING PROGRAMME IS FREE TO ACCESS FOR ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHING STAFF IN WALES, INCLUDING TEACHERS, TEACHING ASSISTANTS AND SCHOOL LEADERS.



[Tirlun](#)

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

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

AVAILABLE FOR EDUCATION PRACTITIONERS ACROSS WALES AND THERE ARE 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