



NST Newsletter: Monday 13th May 2024

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- Early Years Stronger Practice Hub – May Newsletter
- The RE Today Roadshow 2024 **(1 attachment)**
- 'Lead Schools for Music' Opportunity – Applications Now Open! **(1 attachment)**
- Survey on School Food Banks
- Vacancies in New Achieve Well Health and Wellbeing Team
- NAHE Newsletter
- Primary Schools and Sustainability Workshop – 21st May **(1 attachment)**
- Summer Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

Early Years Stronger Practice Hub – May Newsletter

The latest newsletter from the Early Years Stronger Practice Hub is now available, which you can read here:

https://mcusercontent.com/668bbf483edfdd293e2f42517/files/74037c6b-736d-28e0-9d60-eb57957e9a0b/May_Newsletter_EY_hub.pdf

We have been asked to highlight the EEF page (p7 on the newsletter), as places are still available for the NELI-P programme.

The RE Today Roadshow 2024

RE Today are delivering an inspirational day of CPD for primary teachers of religious education, these will run regionally across the nation in 2024. Affordable, high-quality, and intensely practical training, showcasing the best resources from RE Today and NATRE - giving you and your school the support and confidence to teach about religious and non-religious worldviews.

Led by one of the most inspiring speakers on Religious Education you will ever hear, Lat Blaylock will draw upon a career in RE to give a clear vision for the future of the subject in the next five years including an engagement with worldviews, using different ways of knowing in RE and the latest Ofsted requirements.

Please see the attached flyer.

Click on each link for further detail about the Roadshows:

- [Leeds – 3 June 2024, Venue - Hilton Leeds city centre](#)
- [Birmingham – 18 June 2024 , Venue - the Eastside rooms](#)
- [Reading – 1 July 2024, Venue - Holiday Inn Reading South](#)

The day will include:

- 4 seminars from Lat Blaylock focussing on 'Challenge and Inspiration in RE'
- Practical ideas you can take away and use instantly in your classroom the next day
- Celebrating RE and it's fantastic community of teachers
- Networking opportunities – make lasting connections around your region
- Exclusive on-the-day offers and discounts in our Roadshow exhibition
- Time and space away from the classroom to reflect on your RE and vision for the subject in your school

Cost: £125 (NATRE members save 25% and pay only £93.75), discounts available for group bookings.

If you require any further information, please contact Chris@retoday.org.uk

'Lead Schools for Music' Opportunity – Applications Now Open!

Please see the message below from Claire Nichols (Teaching and Learning Manager at Nottingham Music Hub), along with the attached information pack:

I am emailing with the exciting announcement that applications are now open for our **'Lead Schools for Music' opportunity**. In response to the National Plan for Music, The Department for Education, alongside Arts Council England, have asked all music hubs to appoint lead schools for music in each. Nottingham Music Service is therefore looking to broaden its work with educators, by developing partnerships within City schools, facilitating the development of support and resources, including coverage of the Curriculum, Co-curricular and extra-curricular in music.

We know that some fantastic music provision and teaching is happening across the City and we are keen to appoint schools demonstrating an exemplary commitment to musical teaching and learning. Working with Lead Schools will further allow us to:

- help other schools in the area to make music teaching better
- look for new and better ways for teachers to support each other and work together
- help Hubs to understand what schools need and work better with them

Being keen to ensure that the Lead Schools reflect the needs of all the schools we work with, we welcome and encourage applications from Primary, Secondary and Special schools, within the Nottingham City boundary. The appointed schools will be co-deliverers with the local Music Service to support stronger links between schools and academy trusts, and broker opportunities for peer-to-peer learning in music education.

Please find an information pack attached to this email with further information, and a link to the [online application form](#).

We will also be discussing the role of being a Lead School, and holding a short Q&A at our upcoming Music network meeting on **Monday 20th May, 3.30pm to 5.30pm, at Nottingham Nursery School and Training Centre** - this meeting is open to all those involved in primary music education. If you haven't already booked in but would like to join us, please visit the [Eventbrite page](#) to register.

If you would like to find out more, whether you are interested in applying to become a Lead school or you would like to share your views on what a Lead School should look like, please feel free to contact me via the email or phone number below.

Kind regards,

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Survey on School Food Banks

Amanda Dawson at Mellers has forwarded a link to complete a survey on behalf of Dr Will Baker at the University of Bristol. He is doing a long-term project, working with schools, to look at the rise of food banks (and pantries) within England's education system.

Follow this link to find out more about this project, and to complete the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/SJfUjmAez>

Vacancies in New Achieve Well Health and Wellbeing Team

Catherine Kirk has circulated details of 3 posts which are currently being recruited to within the new Achieve Well Health and Wellbeing Team. All posts are part-time and secondments will be considered. There are two Health and Wellbeing Officer posts, one focused on PSHE (.6 post) and one on Eating and Moving for Good Health (.8 post) plus an administrator post. The officer roles will be supporting schools with our new Awards programme, developing resources, delivering networks and training. Please feel free to circulate to any colleagues that may be interested. All roles will be hybrid workers with home working, some days at Loxley House and school visits.

- [Health and Wellbeing Officer - PSHE - Nottingham City Council Careers \(oraclecloud.com\)](#)
- [Health and Wellbeing Officer - Eating and Moving - Nottingham City Council Careers \(oraclecloud.com\)](#)
- [Health and Wellbeing Administrator - Nottingham City Council Careers \(oraclecloud.com\)](#)

NAHE Newsletter

The latest NAHE newsletter can be viewed online here:

<https://secure.smore.com/n/8h153-nahe-update?ref=email>

Primary Schools and Sustainability Workshop – 21st May

Please find attached a document which outlines a research project which is being undertaken by the University of Nottingham focussing on education for sustainability, which they would like to recruit schools for. This is taking place on 21st May, 4.00pm to 6.00pm, at the Jubilee Campus.

Summer Term Subject Leader Network Meetings

Dates for the following meetings are now available to book on Eventbrite (click on the hyperlinks below to book):

- [Music Network – Monday 20th May, 3.30pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Phonics Network – Tuesday 21st May, 1.30pm to 3.00pm](#)
- [PE Network – Monday 3rd June, 1.30pm to 3.15pm](#)
- [English Network – Tuesday 4th June, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)
- [Geography Network – Friday 7th June, 1.15pm to 3.15pm](#)
- [History Network – Monday 10th June, 3.30pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Inclusion Network – Tuesday 11th June, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [PSHE Network – Wednesday 12th June, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Curriculum and Assessment Leads Joint Network – Friday 14th June, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)
- [Art Network – Friday 21st June, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)
- [Science Network – Thursday 4th July, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Design and Technology Network – Monday 15th July, 2.30pm to 4.30pm](#)
- [Diversity Network – Tuesday 16th July, 1.00pm to 3.00pm](#)
- [ICT Network – Tuesday 16th July, 4.00pm to 5.30pm](#)
- [Early Years Network – Wednesday 17th July, 1.30pm to 3.30pm](#)
- [Assessment Leads Workshop – Friday 19th July, 1.00pm to 3.30pm](#)

Jane Gill is delivering her termly Maths Network meeting on the following date (places funded by the NST – click on the link below to book):

- [Thursday 6th June, 1.15pm to 4.00pm](#)