

16th April 2021

Dear Headteacher/ Principal

We are delighted to introduce you to **Northamptonshire Teaching School Hub**, appointed by the Department for Education for our region.

It is our role, alongside our trusted partners, to support your school with the best evidence-informed knowledge, to ensure teachers at every career stage have access to the highest quality professional and leadership development across:

- Early Career Framework (ECF)
- National Professional Qualifications (NPQs)
- Initial Teacher Training (ITT)
- Appropriate Body (AB) services
- Other Continuous Professional Development (CPD)

We welcome Teach First's Executive Director, Reuben Moore and Programme Director Faye Casterton to launch our series of **webinars and events** with a briefing on the DfE's flagship programme, the Early Career Framework (ECF). Together we will guide schools through the upcoming changes. Check out the latest updates and information on our brand new micro-site www.northamptonshireteachingschoolhub.org.

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Teaching School Hubs are part of the Department for Education's wider system reforms and from September 2021 will replace the 800 Teaching Schools nationally, with 87 regional Teaching School Hubs.

Northamptonshire Teaching School Hub is led by and designated to Brooke Weston Academy who have formed a powerful coalition of expertise through its partner schools and organisations both regionally and nationally.

Your school will benefit from **local delivery experts** with recognised partners across north, central and south Northamptonshire. Together we are optimistic and aspirational about the future of teaching, learning and leadership across all Northamptonshire's 317 schools, inclusive of every type and phase of education.

Are you ECF Ready? Deadline 1st September 2021

The Early Career Framework (ECF) is transforming the support and development offer for teachers at the start of their career. From September 2021, all early career teachers will be entitled to an 'ECF induction' and will receive development support and training over two years instead of one, with additional funding available to support their time out of the classroom in the second year and a dedicated mentor. Support will be available to mentors, and funding will be provided to cover mentor's time with the mentee in the second year of teaching.



We welcome you and your colleagues to hear more about the Full Induction offer for Early Career Teachers to **join our ECF webinar** with our national lead provider, **Teach First** on **Wednesday 21st April, 4:00- 5:00pm**. **Register here:** bit.ly/3x7RbJq

Key Dates & Actions

Events are planned throughout the Summer term to support your school in readiness, we encourage you to sign up!

| Key Date | Event/ Action | Registration links |
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| Open now | Express your interest to join our ECF and/or AB services for September 2021 | https://bit.ly/3n4o59d |
| Open now | Share your thoughts on the future landscape of Teaching in Northamptonshire | https://bit.ly/3wTKIkY |
| w/c 19 th April 2021 | TSH Newsletter emailed to schools: sign up | https://bit.ly/3lkhI0t |
| Wednesday 21 st April 2021 | ECF Webinar for schools in Northamptonshire | bit.ly/3x7RbJq |
| Thursday 6 th May 2021 | NPQ Webinar for schools in Northamptonshire | https://bit.ly/3s8uQHS |
| w/c Monday 24 th May 2021 | Local TSH Welcome Events | To follow... |
| w/c Monday 5 th July 2021 | Summer Education Series – high quality online CPD events for all schools in Northamptonshire, offered <i>free</i> of charge. | To follow... |

Finalised dates and details of forthcoming events will be shared in our regular Newsletter.

Keep in touch

We commit to regular communication with you and your colleagues and invite as much participation as you feel you are able to. Please do help us spread our message in your school community and register additional colleagues to receive the latest news, information and events here: <https://bit.ly/3lkhI0t>

Northamptonshire Teaching School Hub is a collaborative organisation that aims to provide the exceptional quality of support for school staff, at each stage of their career. With you, we want to shape a bright future for Northamptonshire. Please do send us any thoughts or queries to: tsh@brookewestontrust.org.

Best wishes

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