



BEST Teaching School Newsletter

February 2021

Welcome

As we find ourselves in these challenging times, we hope this newsletter finds you well. Due to the recent government guidance, BEST Teaching School have adapted the way we work whilst ensuring you still receive the excellent training you have come to expect from us. All of our courses are currently running virtually to protect our delegates.



Free Virtual Teach Meets



A VOCAL WORKSHOP AIMED AT EASING VOCAL STRAIN WHEN TEACHING

In this 'hands on' session we will be practically exploring vocal exercises and techniques aimed at easing the strain on vocal cords caused by constant teacher talk and increasing the projection of your voice across a busy



23rd February 2021
13:00 – 14:00

SECONDARY GEOGRAPHY

To discuss what challenges learners will have as we move back into a normal way of working and potential gaps in geographical knowledge



1st March 2021
15:00 – 16:00

PLANNING A 5-YEAR ENGLISH CURRICULUM

In this session, we will be looking at the KS3/KS4 curriculum as well as the use of assessment within the curriculum flight-path



16th March 2021
14:00 – 15:00



Venue: **Virtual**



Cost: **Free**



To book a place, please visit
<https://www.bestteachingschool.org.uk/course-booking-calendar>



Free Virtual Teach Meets



Key Stage 3/4 Drama

Sharing ideas to improve the delivery of Drama. This is an informal event for Drama teachers to share ideas, strategies, tools or topics through a number of 2-3-minute mini-presentations.



11th March 2021
16:00 – 17:00

Change Management and Leadership

An opportunity to reflect upon and discuss a range of change management principles with educational colleagues, taking time to consider individual contexts and creating a plan of action. This session would be suitable for those new to leadership or classroom teachers who would like to develop a pathway for successful delivery of a new initiative.



8th June 2021
10:30 – 11:30



Venue: **Virtual**



Cost: **Free**



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Dealing with Trauma

UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF ATTACHMENT DIFFICULTIES, TRAUMA
AND CHILDHOOD ADVERSITY

On the course you will learn how an understanding of the impact of attachment & trauma can help school staff meet the needs of their students and improve well-being and achievement.

The course will cover:
Motivations for behaviour
Impact of toxic stress on the developing brain
What survival mode looks like in school
Strategies that help children regulate
Spotting the early signs of distress



Dates:

**Course 1
(virtual)**

**Session 1
18/03/2021
13:00-15:00
Session 2
21/04/2021
13:00-15:00**

Due to
Covid restrictions we
are offering the option of
a virtual course in March or a
face to face course in June.



Cost:

**Course 2
(face to face)
18/06/2021
Full Day**

Virtual Course: £30 per person

**Face to Face Course: £45 per person
(includes lunch)**

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EYFS TEACH MEETS



From September 2021, the early learning goals are changing. To support EYFS teachers and senior leaders in the implementation of these changes, two Teach Meets have been organised with EYFS staff whose school was part of the Early Adopter scheme set up by the DfE.



**Session 1 -
Thursday 11th February 2021**

**Session 2 -
Thursday 13th May 2021**

Sessions will run from 14:00 - 16:00



To book please visit
<https://www.bestteachingschool.org.uk/course-booking-calendar>
Discount available for schools with less than 100 students
Limited availability

English CPD Courses

Each session will allow delegates to engage with current research surrounding the particular area of the session/s they attend. Delegates will be provided with a range of teaching and learning strategies to implement into their own teaching practice.

The sessions can be attended individually or if all 5 sessions are booked, a discount will be allocated. Sessions are £40 per session or £160 for schools who book all 5 sessions. Different delegates can attend these sessions, but they must be from the same school to obtain the discount.

Developing Literacy and Reading Skills in KS3 and KS4

Date: 9th October 2020
Time: 09:00 – 12:00

Developing Writing Skills in KS3 and KS4

Date: 11th December 2020
Time: 12:00 – 15:00

Supporting Lower Attaining Students in English

Date: 4th February 2021
Time: 09:00 – 12:00

Engaging Boys in English

Date: 14th May 2021
Time: 12:00 – 15:00

Supporting SEND Students in English

Date: 17th June 2021
Time: 09:00 – 12:00

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