

SPRING NEWSLETTER

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Serving Sheffield and Rotherham



Dear colleagues, I hope this half-term has been an auspicious one.

The arrival of Spring is always a joyous time bringing new beginnings and growth. It has always been one of my favourite times of the year and one to celebrate after those seemingly endless grey January mornings.

Celebrations are double-fold this month, as we were thrilled to receive confirmation of our successful re-designation as your Teaching School Hub.

For three years, we have been honoured to represent, support, advocate and celebrate you and the fantastic work you do across Sheffield and Rotherham. We are your Teaching School Hub and have seen many successes over our previous tenure. We cannot wait to see what the future holds as we move forward together.

SINCE OUR FIRST DESIGNATION

We have welcomed 452 ITT/ITE trainees into our profession through our [STTA](#) and [NML SCITT](#) provision.

We have delivered our ECF programme on behalf of [Education Development Trust](#) to 717 ECTs.

We have provided statutory support to 1,295 ECTs through our [Appropriate Body](#) service.

We have supported 531 NPQ participants across the entire [NPQ suite](#).

We have collaborated with education partners and providers across our region.

We have worked with 288 schools across our region and 249 schools nationally.



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As we look forward to our new four-year designation beginning in September 2024, we cannot wait to see how much more we can achieve serving you and our educational community.

It is an exciting time, and for those not currently involved with the Hub, we look forward to discussing how we can better meet your needs and those of our region’s children.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katherine".

KATHERINE LEWIS-WARD

Executive Director of South Yorkshire Teaching Hub



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Happenings at the Hub

Education never stands still, but here are the key news items, you need to know for this term complete with links.

- Launch of the new [ITTECF Framework](#) for 2024.
- Launch of the new [NPQ in Leading Primary Maths](#) which we started to deliver in February 2024.
- The [new teaching apprenticeship](#) has been launched by the DfE.
- [School Attendance Drive](#). New DfE Guidance released on school attendance for 2024.



NEWS FROM SHEFFIELD AND ROTHERHAM

A lot is happening in the South Yorkshire Teaching Hub area, with our colleagues in all areas, offering amazing CPD, support and initiatives to further strengthen provision in the region, but here are the highlights and links to their websites:

- ITT/ITE scoping: We continue to work with schools and educational partners to assess your ITT and recruitment needs moving forward. If you have not done so already, please complete the ITT scoping survey, that was emailed to you.
- CPD: Our FREE CPD programme for Easter 2024 will be updated on our [website](#) shortly.
- Fusion SEND Hub: Initiatives and programmes for this year can be found [here](#).
- Learn Sheffield: Programmes can be found [here](#).
- RoSIS: Programmes for this term are [here](#).
- Research School: We welcome the new [Exchange Research School](#) to the area.
- Computing Hub: Access [here](#).
- Maths Hub: Access [here](#).
- English Hub: We are fortunate to have two English Hubs in our area, these are [St Wilfrid's English Hub](#) and [Learners First Schools Partnership](#).
- Science Learning Partnership: Access [here](#).



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TRAINEE HIGHLIGHTS

Initial Teacher Training (ITT)

There are lots of things happening in the wonderful world of Initial Teacher Education (ITE) this year so here are the highlights to support you in your roles.

- Whilst nationally, recruitment of potential trainees for 2024/25 has been hampered, locally recruitment has been positive.
- The new [Initial Teacher Training and Early Career Framework](#) (ITTECF) for 2025 is a welcome addition to the landscape and will support all stakeholders with their developing skills and practice.
- Our regional ITE providers have come together to support school and mentor capacity following the market review which will come into effect in September 2024. Our regional commitment will support all stakeholders and will be shared later this term.
- Our ITT scoping work is going tremendously well, encompassing over half our region’s schools.

Early Career Teacher (ECT)

Our ECTs are blossoming in their Early Career Framework (ECF) programme and their application of learning to their pedagogy and practice. Feedback from Mentor, Induction Tutor and ECT colleagues from our in-person sessions and their online learning has been phenomenal and it has been wonderful to hear news from our previous cohorts as they take the next steps in their careers. With 90% retention of ECTs in our region’s schools and on our ECF programme, it is amazing to see the impact they are having on the education of our young people.

Employing an ECT from April?

- Please register your Induction Tutor, ECT and Mentor [here](#).
- Please register your ECT with our [Appropriate Body service](#).
- If you have any questions or would like any further information, please contact us at info@southyorkshireteachinghub.org



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WELCOME TO OUR NEW COHORTS

Appropriate Body (AB)

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We welcome again our January 2024 cohort who have recently joined our AB community and thank our schools for their warm welcome, support and collaboration on this journey.

National Professional Qualifications (NPQs)

We have welcomed our new participants to our Cohort 6 suite of programmes, and we are so pleased to share our successes so far:

COHORT	COURSE	PASS RATE
Cohort 1	NPQLBC, NPQLT and NPQLTD	100%, 100% and 100%
Cohort 1	NPQSL and NPQH	100%, 100% and 100%
Cohort 2	NPQLBC, NPQLT and NPQLTD	100%, 100% and 100%
Cohort 2	NPQSL and NPQH	91% and 100%
Cohort 3	NPQLBC, NPQLL, NPQLT and NPQLTD	100%, 100% and 100%



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NPQ SUCCESSES

So far our NPQ community consists of:

- 723 participants
- 283 schools

We have seen:

- 98% retention rate across all programmes.
- 99% pass rate across all programmes.
- Participants from cohorts 1-3 who have been promoted and are taking the next steps in their careers.
- New facilitators were identified and trained to support future cohorts.

Our Cohort 4 specialist participants have submitted their assessments and we await their results with much anticipation. We look forward to seeing all our participants continue to develop their pedagogy, practice and leadership in our region’s schools.

Want to progress your teaching career with our NPQs? Join our next cohort in Autumn 2024.

NPQs are designed to support the professional development of teachers and school leaders at all stages of their career. They are perfect if you are looking to improve your skills and knowledge in your current role, take the next step in your teaching career, move into a leadership role or develop the skills and knowledge in specialist areas of teaching practice.

[DISCOVER OUR NPQS](#)



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Spotlight on...

[The South Yorkshire Maths Hub](#) is one of a network of 40 Maths Hubs in England. The programme is funded by the Department for Education (DfE) and coordinated by the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM).

The South Yorkshire Maths Hub is running several Mastery programmes and work groups this year and working with us on our newest [NPQ in Primary Maths](#).

Register your interest to join the programmes or get involved in the workgroup.



[REGISTER YOUR INTEREST](#)

OPPORTUNITY CORNER

Facilitators

We are always looking for amazing practitioners and leaders to support the work of the Hub.

If you would like to be considered, please get in contact and we'll be happy to discuss opportunities, look at training needs and take the next steps.

[REGISTER YOUR INTEREST](#)

Education Endowment Fund (EEF)

The EEF advertise a number of opportunities each season which may be of interest to colleagues.

Their website will provide key information on all projects and opportunities in our area.

[GO TO EFF WEBSITE](#)



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EDUCATION CORNER

We love all things education, and we know you do too, so here are a few things that may be of interest to support you in your work.

AREA/FOCUS	LINK	WHO IS IT FOR?
Research quick guides	twitter.com/XpatEducator linktr.ee/jamielclark jamielleclark.com/blog/one-pagers	Anyone interested in one-page guides to the key research including Rosenshine.
Evidence-Informed practice (ECT)	youtube.com/watch?v=Ov_fyOw9Zhw	ECTs
SEND-online SEND CPD	https://www.wholeschoolsend.org.uk/	All
Primary education and leadership	podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/kieran-mackle/	Primary colleagues

We wish you a wonderful half-term and look forward to continuing to support all colleagues in our Hub area as we move forward, following re-designation as your Teaching School Hub.

We are your Hub and we are proud to represent, support and work for you.

USEFUL LINKS

DETAILS	LINK
ITTECF Framework	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65b8fa60e9e10a00130310b2/Initial_teacher_training_and_early_career_framework_30_Jan_2024.pdf
NPQ in Leading Primary Maths	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/64ad1908c933c1000cf9e07a/NPQ_for_Leading_Primary_Maths_Framework.pdf
DfE New Teaching Apprenticeships	https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-teaching-apprenticeship-set-to-transform-pathway-to-classroom
School Attendance Drive	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65df4a76f1cab36b60fc4726/Working_together_to_improve_school_attendance_applies_from_19_August_2024_29.02.24.pdf
CPD Programme	https://www.southyorkshireteachinghub.org/cpd
Fusion	https://fusionsendhub.co.uk/
Learn Sheffield	https://www.learnsheffield.co.uk/Training-and-Events/
RoSIS	https://www.forgecpd.com/rosis
Exchange Research School	https://researchschool.org.uk/exchange
Computer Hub	https://teachcomputing.org/courses/hubs/11744ecb-c492-eb11-b1ac-000d3a870eed
Maths Hub	https://www.symathshub.org.uk/
St Wilfrid's English Club	https://stwenlishhub.co.uk/
Learners First	https://www.learnersfirst.net/english-hub/
STEM	https://www.educationexchange.org.uk/science-learning-partnership/
ECF	https://www.southyorkshireteachinghub.org/ecf

USEFUL LINKS

DETAILS	LINK
EEF	https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects-and-evaluation/projects-recruiting
South Yorkshire Maths Club	https://www.symathshub.org.uk/about-us
Research Quick Guides	https://twitter.com/XpatEducator https://linktr.ee/jamielclark https://www.jamieleeclark.com/blog/one-pagers
SEND-online SEND CPD	https://www.wholeschoolsend.org.uk/page/online-cpd-units
Primary Education & Leadership	https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/kieran-mackle/