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# Suffolk

# Headlines



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*The weekly bulletin presenting information for all schools from  
Suffolk County Council*

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**Tuesday, 27 June 2023**

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**The local authority (LA) is working with partners across the sector to coordinate responses to the government's regular and frequent announcements about arrangements for schools and settings.**

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Where there is more information you will find the full article by clicking the link in the title.

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| All schools


**[Launch of the Department for Education's Early Years Foundation Stage \(EYFS\) Consultation](#)** | For information

The Department for Education has launched a consultation on the EYFS to offer providers increased flexibility and alleviate known burdens, exploring giving providers more choice over how they operate and making it easier for them to deliver the EYFS.

They hope to hear from many people, local government and organisations before the deadline on **26 July 2023**, so they can gather a broad range of views to help them reach well-informed decisions. More information, including a summary of the proposals and how to respond to the consultation, is available by clicking on the link above.

For full details click the link above.


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 **Suffolk** County Council **Schools Forum – 29 June 2023** | For information | All schools

The papers for Schools Forum are now available on the [Schools Forum – Suffolk Learning](#)

Please ensure you contact your Schools Forum representative if you have any issues you would like raised on your behalf.

- DSG Spend 2022-23
  - High Needs Funding Update
  - Early Years Funded Entitlements & Hourly Rate Changes
  - AOB
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 **Suffolk** County Council **[Admission to a school Reception Year and entry to a Nursery Class](#)** | For information | All primary schools and Highfield Nursery

The arrangements for full and part-time admission to a school Reception Year and entry to a Nursery Class can be found in the attached letter.

For full detail click the link above.

**Contact:** [jan.scott@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:jan.scott@suffolk.gov.uk), 01473 264657

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 **Suffolk** County Council **[Discretionary Grants from the Household Support Fund](#)** | For information | All schools

Suffolk County Council is pleased to confirm a further discretionary grant is available to support low-income families over the Summer holidays. The grant will be issued as a **£90** supermarket voucher for each eligible child from our new provider Sodexo and is designed to help families with their essential living costs during the holiday.

**Can all schools please remind any parents who are still to redeem their Edenred voucher for the May half term, to do so before their 3-month expiry date. Once this voucher has expired, it cannot be reissued.**

For full detail click the link above.



**New Information- Operation Encompass** | For information  
| All schools

Following your feedback, we have now received agreement to include more information within the domestic abuse notifications sent to Safeguarding Leads

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [Lauren.aubrey@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Lauren.aubrey@suffolk.gov.uk)

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**Serious Violence in Suffolk** | For information | All schools

If you work with children, young people, adults, or communities whose lives are impacted by violence, you can help shape Suffolk's response. The Suffolk Serious Violence Duty Partnership are currently seeking your views about serious violence in Suffolk – please help us to create a safer Suffolk by sharing your thoughts and ideas in our [Suffolk Serious Violence Survey](#)

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** Chris Woods, [Community.safety@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Community.safety@suffolk.gov.uk)

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**Suicide Prevention in Schools** | For information | All schools

Suicide was the leading cause of death for males and females aged between **5 to 34** in 2019 (ONSData).

The SCC Public Health team are providing the tools to help you develop both a prevention plan and a response plan in your setting. This will help you to:

- **minimise the risk** of a child taking their own life in and,
- **be prepared**, if it were to happen.

For full details click the link above.

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**Wellbeing in Education Mental Health Network** | For information | All schools

This [informative and supportive network](#) has been running for over a year

now. One or two of the sessions have been focused primarily on the role of Mental Health Leads but the majority are applicable to anyone in education settings with an interest in the topic being addressed. Our next virtual meeting is on 13<sup>th</sup> July from 3:45 to 4:45 and this will be on the topic of emotional regulation. The session will be delivered by some of our NSFT colleagues and will consider the function of emotions and what can impact a child's ability to regulate them.

Please email: [EducationMHLeadNetwork@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:EducationMHLeadNetwork@suffolk.gov.uk) if you would like to attend (there is no cost attached).

**Contact:** [EducationMHLeadNetwork@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:EducationMHLeadNetwork@suffolk.gov.uk)

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**The Suffolk Learning and Improvement Network (SLIN)-  
moving forward September 2025** | For information | All  
SLIN schools

Suffolk Learning Improvement Network (SLIN) is currently funded from SCC Raising the Bar funding which comes to an end in 2025. All participating schools are members of SLIN at no cost. When the funding enabling this fully funded collaboration ends in 2025, we will need to consider a new model.

How SLIN will operate, and look is dependent on funding and once we have more information, we will be able to propose some SLIN models for you to consider. We are undertaking some evaluation and consultation and this questionnaire is part of that work.

If you are currently part of SLIN please use this link to complete the questionnaire by 04 July. Thank you in advance.  
[Suffolk Learning Improvement Network \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com)

**Contact:** [jf@jacquifrost.co.uk](mailto:jf@jacquifrost.co.uk), 07879491093

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**Anti-social behaviour (ASB) Awareness week** | For  
information | All schools

3rd – 7th July sees ASB Awareness Week. We have designed a leaflet to highlight the impact on ASB has on vulnerable people. Please could this be placed on any boards that you have around school and be sent out to parents as part of your normal communication method.

[ASB One Cop Stop](#)

### **Schools Reporting Guide**

Just a gentle reminder regarding the Schools Reporting Guide & Flowchart and

Intelligence Reporting tool.

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/schools-intelligence-reporting-tool>

[Police Reporting Guide for Schools](#)  
[Schools Reporting Flow Chart](#)

### Contact details

Just a reminder that the team can be contacted on the following email

[Schools@suffolk.police.uk](mailto:Schools@suffolk.police.uk) for KS1 – 4

[CPY1624@suffolk.police.uk](mailto:CPY1624@suffolk.police.uk) for 16+

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**Suffolk  
Advocacy  
Service**

**Children's Independent Advocacy Service** | For  
information | All schools

Suffolk Advocacy Service provides independent advocacy support for:

Children in Care

Care Leavers

12 + subject to child protection plans

Children making complaints

Homeless 16 & 17 year olds

[Suffolk Advocacy Service | Home | POhWER](#)

[Suffolk Advocacy Service leaflet](#)

[Suffolk Advocacy Service referral form](#)

**Contact:** [bridget@aceanglia.com](mailto:bridget@aceanglia.com)/[annette@aceanglia.com](mailto:annette@aceanglia.com)

07495 942663/07495 942662

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**[Win your height in books for your school!](#)** | For  
information | All schools

Suffolk Libraries is running a competition offering headteachers the chance to win free books for their school! The competition is being run as part of the launch of Suffolk Libraries new literacy vision.

For full details click the link above.

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**[Sign up to the National Literacy Trust Reading pledge!](#)** |  
For information | All primary schools

The **Schools' Reading pledge** is a commitment made by you with our support to maintain high standards of literacy and reading within your school.

It is a menu-style document allowing you to participate at a level and pace that works for your school.

It is free and simple. The first 100 schools to sign up receive FREE NLT membership!

For full details click the link above.

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## SEND/Inclusion



**[SES - Engagement Model Support](#)** | For information | All schools

Support for Educators supporting children who are working below Pre-Key Stage Standards – delivered by Specialist Teachers from SES Cognition and Learning Service.

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [Tracy.Read@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Tracy.Read@suffolk.gov.uk) for Riverside Lowestoft  
[Kate.gregory@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Kate.gregory@suffolk.gov.uk) for West Suffolk house Bury  
[Vicky.platt@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Vicky.platt@suffolk.gov.uk) for Endeavour house Ipswich



**EHCP Annual Reviews: Update on upcoming roll out of Professional Portal and new dashboard reporting** | For information | All schools

Suffolk County Council are working to implement a new Professional Portal and associated dashboard reporting for use by education settings to support the Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) Annual Review process.

We will be phasing the roll out of this functionality to ensure that we can collaborate effectively with schools in development.

Initially we will be working closely with a small group of school settings to act as early adopters of the functionality whom we have contacted for information as

outlined within Headlines (23-05-2023).

Please continue to follow the existing process for Annual Reviews until next steps are communicated regarding roll out of the portal and dashboard access.

**Contact:** [Sophie.Cooke@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Sophie.Cooke@suffolk.gov.uk)

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 **Important, please read: Updated information from SCC SES (SCC Specialist Education Services) | For information | All schools**

We hope you will join our countywide virtual SENCo forum on July 11, 2023, at 4pm to 5.15pm. We will be sharing important further updates from across SES and the Inclusion Service. To receive a Teams link please email [sencosupport@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:sencosupport@suffolk.gov.uk)

Looking forward to seeing you. Thank you for all your joint working with us.

**Contact:** [Izzy.Connell@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Izzy.Connell@suffolk.gov.uk)

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 **Important, please read: Updated information from SCC SES (SCC Specialist Education Services) | For information | All schools**

[Please see details regarding forthcoming ELKLAN training provided by our Speech and Language Therapists within SES Speech Language and Communication Needs Service.](#) We hope you will join us.

**Contact:** [Caroline.Wells2@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Caroline.Wells2@suffolk.gov.uk)

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**[SES Information Sharing Session](#)** | For information | All schools

Please join us for an information sharing session regarding the SES offer of support and delivery model from January 2024. We look forward to seeing you.

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [sally.blackman@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:sally.blackman@suffolk.gov.uk)

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**[SES Annual Survey 2022-23 – Your Views Matter](#)** | For information | All schools

Please take some time to complete the SES annual survey 2022-23. We value working alongside you in providing support and so your feedback is very important to us. Survey closes 19th July, 5.30pm.

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [sally.blackman@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:sally.blackman@suffolk.gov.uk)

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## Hub updates



**[Alpha Teaching School Hub](#)** | For information | All schools

### **Do you have any Early Career Teachers starting in September 2023?**

We can help with any registrations, Appropriate Body or NPQ support. Please contact [info@alphatsh.org](mailto:info@alphatsh.org).

### **DfE online service opens week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> July for any September 2023-starter ECTs/Mentors.**

**[Appropriate Body Service and Registration](#)** – Are you looking for an Appropriate Body Provider for ECT Induction?

**[National Professional Qualification](#)** – Registrations for Autumn 2023 are now open!

For full details click the link above.

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**ECTs/AB and NPQs: actions for 23/24 registrations** | For information | All schools

### **1. Employing an ECT from September? Two actions to take:**

1. **Complete [this quick form](#)** - Jo Francis, ECT Programme Coordinator, will keep you updated on our fully funded ECT Programme ahead of the DfE's official registration portal opening on Monday 3 July
2. **Register your ECTs with Unity TSH Appropriate Body [here](#)** - all ECTs must be registered with an Appropriate Body before they begin



their 2-year Statutory Induction Period. Contact Celia Moore, UTSH AB Lead with any questions ([cmoore@unitysp.co.uk](mailto:cmoore@unitysp.co.uk))

**2. Apply for fully funded NPQs with Unity Teaching School Hub:** [register now for NPQs starting in November 2023](#) - benefit from the final year of guaranteed funding for all NPQs as well as new [targeted support payments](#) (£200 per participant for primary schools over 150 pupils/£800 per participant for those with less than 150 pupils; £200 per participant at secondary schools with less than 600 pupils). Contact Helen Main ([hmain@unitysp.co.uk](mailto:hmain@unitysp.co.uk)) for further information.

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## Events

 Westminster Insight [Children Missing Education Digital Conference](#) | For information | All schools

Tuesday 26th September 2023  
09:00 - 13:15

**Keeping children in full-time education** is the best way to equip young people with the skills they will need later in life. However, The Children's Commissioner has expressed concern that an unidentifiable number of children across the country are not able to access education; the number of reported '**Children Missing Education**' and '**severe absence**' cases are still yet to return to pre-pandemic levels.

For full details click the link above.

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## Training



[Engagement Model Training](#) | For information | All schools

Planning for Pupils not engaged in Subject Specific Learning: for Educators supporting children who are working below Pre-Key Stage Standards – delivered by Specialist Teachers from SES Cognition and Learning Service.

For full details click the link above.

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**SENDIASS sessions for parents and carers** | For information | All schools

Suffolk SENDIASS provides impartial and confidential information, advice and support to children and young people with SEND, and their parents and carers.

For full details click the link above.

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**Free Primary Subject Knowledge CPD 2023/24 with Angles Maths Hub** | For information | All Primary Schools in the Angles Maths Hub area

We are thrilled to share the following options for Subject Knowledge CPD:

- [Early Years Teachers - Pattern, Shape, Space and Measure](#)
- [Early Career Teachers Year 1](#)
- [Teaching Assistants](#)

Please find attached the information pages, containing more details. When ready, simply select the relevant form(s) below to apply:

[Early Years Teachers](#)  
[Early Career Teachers Year 1](#)  
[Teaching Assistants](#)

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [admin@anglesmathshub.org](mailto:admin@anglesmathshub.org)

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**Mastery Readiness and Development 2023/24 with Angles Maths Hub – LIMITED PLACES REMAINING!** | For information | All Primary Schools in the Angles Maths

Hub area

With limited places remaining, we are inviting new schools to Angles Maths Hub to apply for their places now! We have two fantastic start point options for whole school teaching for mastery CPD.

[Primary Mastery Readiness Flyer](#)  
[Primary Mastery Development Flyer](#)

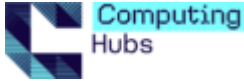
Please see our flyers for more details and links to apply below:

[Mastery Readiness](#)  
[Mastery Development](#)

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [admin@anglesmathshub.org](mailto:admin@anglesmathshub.org)

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**Foundation knowledge of computer science for KS3 and GCSE** | For information | All secondary schools

This face to face CPD is for prospective teachers of KS3/4 computing who may be new to the subject, or who may have taught computing in earlier years. It will allow you to explore the foundation subject knowledge, required to teach computer science as part of the national curriculum.

**Date:** 14 July 2023 - 09.30-15.45

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [computinghub@wsc.ac.uk](mailto:computinghub@wsc.ac.uk)

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**Python programming constructs: sequencing, selection & iteration for OCR specification** | For information | All secondary schools

Take your first steps to becoming a competent teacher of Python programming; this remote CPD will develop your foundational knowledge around the Python language. Mapped closely to the specifications of GCSE computer science, it will provide you with essential knowledge leading to expertise in teaching programming.

**Date:** 12 July 2023 - 09.30 – 15.30

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [computinghub@wsc.ac.uk](mailto:computinghub@wsc.ac.uk)

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**Behaviour for learning in a computing environment** | For information | All secondary schools

Aimed at secondary computing teachers and subject leaders who are looking to ensure the behaviour management and learning atmosphere in a computing environment enables progress.

- opportunity to look at the adolescent brain development
- assess your own behaviours

- look at computing related strategies

**Date:** 5 July 2023 - 16.00 – 17.30

For full details click the link above.

**Contact:** [computinghub@wsc.ac.uk](mailto:computinghub@wsc.ac.uk)

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## Key contacts

In the event of a bereavement within your school community or for leadership wellbeing support please contact the Schools Organisational Support Education Officers: [edorgsupport@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:edorgsupport@suffolk.gov.uk) or phone 01473 263942

For COVID related queries email: [healthprotection@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:healthprotection@suffolk.gov.uk).

If you have any queries or concerns about Safety, Health and Wellbeing in general, please check out the resources on the [SHaW pages of Suffolk Learning](#) and contact the LA's SHaW Advisor via [nina.bickerton@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:nina.bickerton@suffolk.gov.uk).

You should contact your Standards and Excellence Partner or call 01473 263942 / email [ELStandardsandexcellence@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:ELStandardsandexcellence@suffolk.gov.uk) if you would like to discuss your planning.

If school leads are aware of any potential Elective Home Education (EHE) cases and need any support, the EHE team are able to offer advice and guidance. [More information can be found via this link](#)

For the most recent information on School Travel visit the [Suffolk Onboard website](#).

Schools Helpline: 01473 263942

In the event of being unable to speak to someone or leave a voicemail message email [ELStandardsandexcellence@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:ELStandardsandexcellence@suffolk.gov.uk).

For general advice and signposting on any aspect of SEND provision or process, please call the Inclusion Support Line on 01473 265502. Open Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.

[Key contact information for Suffolk school and setting leaders](#)

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If someone else in your school would like to receive Suffolk Headlines  
email [suffolkheadlines@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:suffolkheadlines@suffolk.gov.uk)

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