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Headlines



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

Tuesday, 18 July 2023

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.

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


 [Measles update: Message to Parents and Guardians, from Stuart Keeble, Director of Public Health](#) | For information | All schools

We are currently seeing an increase in measles circulating in some parts of UK. For prevention purpose, it is a good time to remind parents to check their children's MMR vaccination, which protects them against not only measles but also mumps and rubella.

If your child has not been fully vaccinated, contact the Immunisation Service on **0300 555 5055** or your GP surgery, who can arrange for your child to receive their vaccinations.

Please share the letter from Stuart Keeble, Director of Public Health and Communities with parents and guardians.

For full details click the link above.

 **[Primary School Accountability – updated publication July 2023](#)** | For information | All schools with Key Stage 1 and 2 pupils

The technical guidance for Primary school accountability has been updated. The updated version (July 2023) confirms that there will be no official progress measure between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 in 2024 and 2025.

On Perspective Lite, you can find provisional primary performance information including early indicative ‘NCER’ progress figures for Key stage 2.

For full details click the link above.

 **[LA Advisers for Headteacher Performance Management](#)** | For information | All schools

Headteacher Performance Management is an opportunity to have focused discussions about the Headteacher or Principal’s ongoing professional development, leading to actions that maximise the impact the school leader has on their school, its staff, and its pupils. Our package will use the existing evidence in the school, gathered as part of the school’s ongoing self-evaluation and improvement work.

[To buy into our package for the 2023-24 performance management cycle, please use this link.](#)

For full details click the link above.



The Suffolk Learning and Improvement Network (SLIN) September 2023 | For information | All Primary Schools, EYFS/KS1/KS2 PRU/Special Schools

We are looking for two schools to join SLIN for September 2023.

“A good opportunity to step back and reflect with the support of colleagues... gaining a new insight into your own and other schools practice”
Jo Austin, Headteacher Copdock and Bentley Primary Schools

If you would like to find out more contact Jacqui Frost, SLIN Strategic Lead.

Contact: jf@jacquifrost.co.uk, 07879491093



[Primary Careers Hub](#) | For information | All schools

The New Anglia Careers Hub, supported by Norfolk County Council and Suffolk County Council, would like to invite schools to be part of an exciting new programme delivering careers-related learning to young people. This is a DfE-backed programme that is fully funded and at no cost to your school. It will bring amazing benefits in terms of careers related learning.

For full details click the link above.



[Wellbeing in Education Mental Health Network](#) | For information | All schools

Thank you so much to all attendees and presenters for their continued support and involvement in this [informative and supportive network](#). If you haven't yet done so, please complete this short form, to let us know what topics you'd like addressed over the next academic year: <https://forms.office.com/e/j3m30Lktev>.

A recording of the most recent session on emotional regulation will be uploaded to our website shortly.

Also please note that we are very excited to be holding our first in-person event on 3rd November 2023 near Stowmarket; further details will follow. Please email: EducationMHLeadNetwork@suffolk.gov.uk if you would like to pre-book a place (there is no cost attached).

For full details click the link above.

Contact: EducationMHLeadNetwork@suffolk.gov.uk



[Young Persons' Design Challenge](#) | For information | All schools

Architect and TV presenter George Clarke, his charity MOBIE, Lovell and Suffolk County Council are inviting the young people of Suffolk to submit their ideas for new sustainable homes and places for the county. Lovell and Suffolk County Council have formed a joint venture company, Edmundham Developments, that will be creating high quality, sustainable homes and communities across Suffolk.

For full details click the link above.



[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.

SEND/Inclusion



[Suffolk Inclusion Toolkit Updates](#) | For information | All schools

[Please watch and share this short video summary of the Suffolk Inclusion Toolkit \(SIT\)](#)

These resources support staff to identify and meet the needs of children and young people with SEND. The toolkit includes Valuing SEND (VSEND), the Essential SENCO Toolkit and the Educational Psychology (EP) Analysis of Additional Needs Screening Tool (AANT). Please read the full article for information about a new SIT governance group and further training and support.

For full details click the link above.



[High Needs Funding](#) | For information | All schools

Please see above link to a letter about High Needs Funding.

Contact: april.oliver@suffolk.gov.uk, joy.settle@suffolk.gov.uk



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



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

Hub updates



Unity Teaching School Hub | For information | All schools

Register your new ECTs joining our ECT Programme in 23/24

- **Register your ECT(s) with our Appropriate Body** - contact Celia Moore (cmoore@unitysp.co.uk) for any questions
- Let us know of intent to join our ECT programme [here](#) and complete DfE registration [here](#) (confirming your Induction Tutor, mentor(s) and ECT(s) details)

Apply for fully-funded National Professional Qualifications starting in the autumn term

Register with the DfE [here](#). Don't miss out on the final year of guaranteed funding for all NPQs as well as new [targeted support payments](#).

For full details click the link above.



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

Please register your ECTs and mentors on the DfE portal for the ECF Programme

In the meantime, let us know if you would like to use 'the listening hub' for your **Appropriate Body Service and/or Early Career Framework training by completing this short form:** [Alpha TSH Appropriate Body/ ECF training](#) **

[National Professional Qualification](#) – Registrations for Autumn 2023 are open. Find full details in link.

For full details click the link above.

Events



Parenting Support in Suffolk - Core Offer | For information | All schools

The Parenting Team are offering 2 lunchtime sessions at Landmark House, Conference Room, to all professionals who would like to know more about the parenting team offer of courses, groups and seminars for parents of children ages 0-19 years.

The session may also be helpful for understanding how to promote the programmes and the value of parenting seminars and the Solihull online programmes.

Please feel free to bring your lunch.

Where: Landmark House, Conference Room, Ipswich IP1 5PF
Date: Tuesday 1st August 2023 & Wednesday 30th August 2023
Time: 12:30pm – 1:30pm

For further information please contact kay.witchalls@suffolk.gov.uk



Festival of Learning - Making Tech Relevant: Linking Tech with Industry to Bring Learning Alive | For information | All schools

[Save The Date! 30 October 2023 - Adastral Park, Ipswich](#) - Register here: festivaloflearning.edlink.uk (free for a limited time)

A festival style conference with three overlapping themes, suitable for all phases and all profiles of education professional:

1) Edtech to improve learning: Growing Skills and Confidence in Classroom Pedagogy

Demonstrations and workshops in how to use simple, free Edtech tools efficiently in the classroom.

2) Linking Careers & Industry with Curriculum: Infusing what we teach with industry Insights and experience.

Panel discussions & case studies exploring how teachers can apply technology references to cross-curricular environments (Maths English, PE, History and more....)

3) Human Skills in a Tech World: Leadership, Mentoring & Soft Skills Leadership, Mentoring, Soft-Skills & Ethics for a Fast-Changing World
For further details and to register visit here: festivaloflearning.edlink.uk

Training



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[Training from Specialist Education Services \(SES\)](#) | For information | All schools

Please see details of training being offered in the autumn term by our SCC Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN) service within SES, alongside NHS colleagues and in collaboration with the Suffolk Teaching Assistant Network. Hope you will join us.

For full details click the link above.



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[Keys to Inclusion and Person-Centred Planning Training Days](#) | For information | All schools

An exciting training opportunity for Schools and Professionals who work with children and young people.

Keys to Inclusion Training - Thursday 21st September 2023 (9.00 – 3.30:
Pinewood Community Centre, Laburnum Close, Pinewood, Ipswich IP8 3SL
Person Centred Planning Training – Friday 22nd September 2023 (9.00 – 3.30:
Pinewood Community Centre, Laburnum Close, Pinewood, Ipswich IP8 3SL

Please bring your own packed lunch with you.

Please contact the Psychology & Therapeutic Services on 01473 264700 or email Psychology&TherapeuticServices@suffolk.gov.uk to reserve your funded place.

For full details click the link above.



SES CPD Autumn Term - Ready to book! | For information | All schools

Supporting your confidence and skill in meeting pupils' SEND needs.

Our popular 'Essential' CPD sessions are now available to book again for the autumn term. These remain free sessions.

New! Also take a look at our new 'Targeted' CPD sessions offering some more specific SEND topics. These sessions incur a small cost per delegate.

For Essential CPD, book here: [SES CPD 23-34 Essential Booking Form](#)

For Targeted CPD, book here: [SES CPD 23-24 Targeted Booking Form](#)

Contact: sally.blackman@suffolk.gov.uk, izzy.connell@suffolk.gov.uk



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.

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 or phone 01473 263942

For COVID related queries email: 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.

You should contact your Standards and Excellence Partner or call 01473 263942 / email 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.

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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