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Dear Reader

Peterborough Virtual School Update

It was a privilege for me to come into post as Peterborough Virtual School Head Teacher at the beginning of the Autumn Term. I have very much enjoyed getting to know colleagues across education and social care during this time – including many of you.

The recent national social care review [Children's social care: stable homes, built on love - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) highlighted

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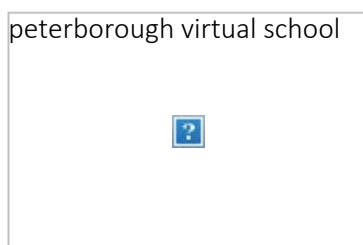
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the central role of relationships in improving the lives of the very most vulnerable of our children. I have been blown away by the quality of Peterborough Virtual School's relational practice offer; it is second to none. [Relational Practice - YouTube](#) . I do urge any of you who haven't yet signed up to do so; delivered at no charge, evidence of impact on both social and emotional outcomes as well as progress and attainment is compelling.

I passionately believe in the power of education to inspire and realise futures for all our children, and I look forward to working with you all to serve the cohort of children known to social care, creating 'Stable Schools' where they can thrive and achieve.

[Zoe Lattimer](#)

Head of Peterborough Virtual School



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Funding for Non-swimmers - Key Stage 3

I have significant funding from Public Health to address the high number of non-swimmers transferring into secondary schools in Yr 7.

Being a non-swimmer is a safeguarding issue, so I can fund interventions put in place for Yr 7s or Yr 8s who are genuine non-swimmers.

If schools set up intervention lessons, I can cover all costs, and can signpost to swimming providers if needed. Please do talk to the appropriate people in your schools (PE Dept, FSM, Pupil Premium, SENCO etc) because we must make our children safe in and near water.

Any questions – please contact [Ian Roberts](#)

Elective Home Education Monitoring Officer

Christine Martin retired at the end of October. Christine worked with us for over 10 years and was

an incredible asset to PCC.

PCC is currently recruiting to the role and it will take some time until a new person can take up post. In the meantime can we ask that all referrals/questions/queries are directed to the homeeducation@peterborough.gov.uk inbox as Christine's work email address is no longer in use.

For telephone queries, please use 01733 863681 (Attendance main line) and leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the attendance team.

Grafham Water Centre would like your views!

Grafham Water Centre is asking all schools to complete their attached survey – to find out what you are looking for from your residential visit each year. Please take just 2 minutes to complete this:

[Grafham Water Centre themed visits \(office.com\)](#)

Grafham Water Centre is still open through the winter months and taking bookings from schools, youth groups, with some fantastic team building days on offer, even some Christmas themed days, to suit all needs. There may be cold and dreary days ahead, but getting children outside the classroom – wrapped up warm, will encourage further learning and skills they may not get inside. Find out more at the [Grafham Water Centre website](#)

Senior mental health lead training grant update for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough schools 2023/ 2024

senior mental health lead training



More than 40% of Cambridgeshire & Peterborough schools have still NOT claimed their £1,200 grant to train a Senior Mental Health Lead.

To claim the grant, sign up to your chosen course here -

<https://onlinecollections.des.fasst.org.uk/fastform/senior-mental-health-leads>.

Then complete the form here - <https://onlinecollections.des.fasst.org.uk/fastform/senior-mental-health-leads-confirmation>.

NEW Opportunity to claim a second grant if the trained lead has left!

The application process remains the same as the first-time round with one additional step: when completing the online form, the applicant needs to tick the declaration to confirm the previously trained senior mental health lead at the setting has now moved on from the role.

Full [details of the grant and how to apply](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/senior-mental-health-lead-training) can be found here - <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/senior-mental-health-lead-training>.

NATRE RE Meeting

A Cambridgeshire NATRE RE meeting is being held on Thursday 7 December at Hinchingsbrook School Huntingdon. To find out more and to book a place please go to [Religious Education - Learn Together \(cambslearntogether.co.uk\)](http://Religious Education - Learn Together (cambslearntogether.co.uk)) or contact Charlotte Newman (cnewman@hbk.acesmat.uk).

Youth Literacy Champions Demonstrate Commitment and Leadership

reading buddies



We are immensely proud of the enthusiasm and leadership demonstrated by 17 6th Form students at Jack Hunt School – they are committed to supporting their peers through promoting a love of reading. The students have recently completed their Champion training with Emma Morton, **Project Manager for Literacy Champions, and have all sorts of plans in place to support their peers and promote a love of reading throughout their school and local community. Here is what one student, Jessica, had to say about being a Champion:**

‘Becoming a Youth Literacy Champion gives young people the chance to make a real difference in their community by encouraging younger children and young people to read and develop their literacy skills. This benefits not only the community but also increases the skill development of the Youth Literacy Champions in terms of leadership, project management and creative skills.’

If you are interested in finding out more about how your 6th Form students can train as Reading Buddies/Literacy Champions please contact Becky Marris, Peterborough National Literacy Trust Hub Manager: becky.marris@literacytrust.org.uk

Personalised Eating Disorder Support (PEDS) FREE training

Personalised Eating Disorder Support is a local charity that is offering **FREE** eating disorder training to **SCHOOLS** in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. This training has been funded by Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council.

The sessions last approximately 90 minutes but can vary depending upon the request of the organisation.

The training includes an overview of eating disorders, symptoms, the do's and don'ts, case studies and signposting to relevant services.

PEDS are happy to tailor their training to your needs and are happy to set up meetings discuss the training / requirements.

Please contact us at:

claire.hodgson11@nhs.net

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COP 28 - Schools events or activities

With COP28 taking place between 30th November and 12th December, we would like to hear from schools that are planning to hold any climate or environmental events or activities during this time. Please share your ideas or plans by emailing climate@cambridgeshire.gov.uk. If you are happy, we would like to share these plans on our Cambridgeshire and Peterborough [Climate Change and Environment for schools - Learn Together](#) webpage to demonstrate what our local schools are doing and to support other schools in running fun and educational eco events and activities.

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough PE and School Sport Conference – February 14 2024, St Ives

I am excited to share with you our progress in planning the County PE Conference for Feb 14 2024. This will be held at Burgess Hall in St Ives.

We have now secured Bryn Llewellyn, CEO of Tagtiv8, and educational adviser to BBC as our keynote speaker. We also have Max Whitlock, Triple Olympic Gymnastics Gold medallist coming to deliver a workshop, and participate in a Q&A session. There will be a range of practical workshops, and seminars throughout the day. We have a market place with a large number of innovative and exciting exhibitors already confirmed

Early bird booking fee available until Dec 1 2023

[Further details here](#)

Any questions – please contact [Jan Roberts](#)

Peterborough Primary Headteachers' Days

For Primary School Headteachers in the Peterborough area. The Peterborough Primary Headteachers' Days provide an opportunity for local headteachers to:

- Network with colleagues over refreshments and lunch
- Recharge with sessions by a variety of inspiring keynote speakers
- Stay Informed with updates from the Local Authority and other relevant speakers

Date for 2023 – 2024:

- 7th December 2023
- 14th March 2024
- 6th June 2024

Location - Allia Future Business Centre, Peterborough United, Football Club, London Road, Peterborough, PE2 8AN

Cost - For just £225 you can guarantee your place at all 3 PPH Days in 2023 - 2024! That's just £75 for each full day including refreshments and lunch, keynote speakers, relevant updates, and a great city centre venue.

To book – please [Book here](#)

Training / Events

[Writing with purpose: Reframing Success Criteria \(Key stages 1-3\) Delivered by James Durran](#)

For all Literacy/English Subject Leaders, Class Teachers in KS1, KS2 & KS3 – **Session 1** Monday 27th November 2023 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:30 – 16:30 **Session 2** Monday 22nd January 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:30 – 16:30 - £145 per person for both sessions - LA maintained schools / £165 per person for both sessions – academies.

[Explicit Teaching of Vocabulary](#)

For all English/Literacy Subject Leaders and Key Stage 1 and 2 Class Teachers – Wednesday 6th December 2023 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:30 – 16:30 - £79 per person - LA maintained schools / £89 per person – academies.

[Understanding End of KS1 Expectations in Writing](#)

For all Year 2 Teachers including those new to Year 2 or ECTs - Tuesday 16th January 2024 – Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:15 – 16:00 - £79 per person per session - LA maintained schools / £89 per person per session – academies.

[Supporting more-able pupils at KS1 with reading into writing](#)

For all Year 1 & 2 Teachers, ECTs, Subject Leaders and Key Stage/ Phase Leaders – **Session 1** Tuesday 23rd January 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 14:00 – 17:00 - **Session 2** Tuesday 23rd April 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 14:00 – 17:00 - £145 per person for both sessions - LA maintained schools / £165 per person for both sessions – academies.

[Literacy Subject Leader Meeting - Spring Term](#)

For all Literacy/English Subject Leaders and/or Senior Leaders – Thursday 8th February 2024 – Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:15 – 16:00 - £79 per person per session - LA maintained schools / £89 per person per session – academies.

[Maths Subject Leader Meeting - Spring Term](#)

For all Maths Subject Leaders and/or Senior Leaders – Tuesday 13th February 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:30 – 16:30 - £79 per person - LA maintained schools / £89 per person – academies.

[Responding to Sexual Violence in Schools - Safeguarding Conference](#)

Education Safeguarding Team in Partnership with Cambridge Rape Crisis Centre Conference for all Designated Safeguarding Leads/Deputy Leads and any other staff who work in a safeguarding or pastoral role.

Thursday 23 November 2023, 9.00 am – 4.00 pm, Marriott Hotel, Huntingdon.

[NEW - Managing Complaints - including responding to serial and persistent complaints](#) (Book under Leadership and Management of Safeguarding Tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Governors, Designated Safeguarding Leads, Aspiring Leaders in schools and academies across all phases.

Monday 11 December 13.30-14.30 Virtual course, £35

[NEW - Dealing with Challenging Parents](#) (Book under Leadership and Management of Safeguarding Tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Designated Safeguarding Leads, Aspiring Leaders in schools and academies across all phases.

Monday 11 December 09.30-11.00 Virtual course, £55 (90-minute course)

[Single Central Record](#) (Book under Leadership and Management of Safeguarding Tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Designated Safeguarding Leads, Aspiring Leaders in schools and academies across all phases.

Friday 8 December 11.30-12.30 Virtual course, £35

[Body Image for Primary Schools](#)

21st November 2023, 9.30am-11.30am or 14th February 2024, 1.30pm-3.30pm. Online. £40 subscribing schools, £50 for non-subscribing schools.

Audience: PSHE Leads and KS2 teachers in primary schools.

[Making the PE & School Sport Premium Count](#)

23rd November 2023 – 3.30pm-5pm. Online. £49

Audience: Primary phase PE subject leads and headteachers

[End of KS2 Moderation](#)

For primary teachers. 3 sessions starting 08 Dec 2023, 13.00 – 16.00, West Town Primary Academy, from £285 with £185 subsidy available

[Promoting Inclusivity in your STEM Curriculum](#)

For secondary teachers. 09 Jan 2024, 16.00 – 18.00, Ormiston Bushfield Academy, from £50 with £35 subsidy available

[Preparing Pupils for the GCSE Assessment of Practical Skills \(Science\)](#)

For secondary teachers. 17 Jan 2024, 14.00 – 16.00, Swavesey Village College, from £80 with £50 subsidy available

[Developing RSE in Primary & Special Schools](#)

15th May 2024, 3.30pm-5pm. Online. £40 subscribing schools, £50 for non-subscribing schools.

Audience: Senior Leaders, PSHE Leads, and Governors.

[Level 5 Certificate in Primary School PE Specialism/Level 6 Award in Primary School PE Subject Leadership](#)

6/8 dates starting 13th February 2024 – 9.30am-4.30pm. Sunley House, Papworth Everard.

£1125/£1400

Audience: PE Leads and all teachers in primary school PE. It is also ideal for HLTAs, Tas and sports coaches employed in schools.

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