

# SALOP TEACHING SCHOOL ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER SPRING 2015

## Specialist Leaders in Education – School to School Support

Specialist leaders of education (SLEs) are outstanding middle and senior leaders who have the skills to support individuals or teams in similar positions in other schools. They understand what outstanding leadership practice in their area of expertise looks like and are skilled in helping other leaders to achieve it in their own context. The Salop Teaching School Alliance has twelve SLEs involving a wide range of specialisms.



School to School Support is about building partnerships between organisations: working in collaboration to share and develop approaches that have demonstrated impact for learners. We believe that creative collaboration between schools can deliver sustainable impact for learners and schools. Our alliance draws upon a wide range of knowledge and experience in the implementation of highly effective School to School improvement strategies. The agreed approach is to match each school's needs and strengths with the extensive expertise within our alliance this support is formulated by a Service Level Agreement to ensure there is a support structure established for each school. We will work with each organisation in structuring the support to ensure sustainable improvement and ensuring learning outcomes, leaving a legacy of learning that has made a recognisable difference for children.

## Salop Teaching School Alliance success with supporting grants

- **Research & Development Closing the Gap Test and Learn Grant** - enabling schools to participate in large scale trials of intervention that may help close the attainment gap for disadvantaged pupils
- **Assessment for the new National Curriculum Initiative** - to undertake school-based enquiry on effective assessment systems to meet the needs of the new curriculum.
- **Stonewall Training the Trainer Diversity Programme** - an opportunity to train the trainer primary and secondary to deliver Stonewall courses tackling homophobic bullying and celebrating diversity
- **Subject Knowledge Enhancement SKE Grant** - building capacity through post initial teacher training (ITT) SKE a school led model - purpose of the project is to increase teacher capacity in Maths by providing a range of SKE training.
- **Primary National Curriculum Support Initiative** - supporting primary schools to lead curriculum change.
- **Salop & Herefordshire Maths Hub** - working to improve maths learning by developing teachers, CPD and producing resources.
- **School to School Support**- support for a primary and secondary school
- **Early School Intervention Grant** - to undertake a school based enquiry to investigate and share good practice relating to the use of data.

## School Experience Programme

The Priory School as the lead school for the alliance is an approved School Experience Programme (SEP) school. This means we are able to offer people interested in becoming a secondary school teacher the opportunity to spend some time in school. This could be observing to see whether they feel a teaching career is for them or to gain experience in preparation for applying to become a teacher in our School Direct Programme.

The School Experience Subject areas we can provide are:

Mathematics, Chemistry, Computer Science, Design & Technology, Modern Foreign Languages, Physics and Science.

## Shropshire School Direct Partnership - Get into Teaching

School Direct is an approach to initial teacher training (ITT) that gives schools more influence over the ways teachers are trained.

We are pleased to announce a partnership has been formed with The North Shropshire and Darwin Teaching School Alliance which will be called the Shropshire School Direct. This means we are able to offer School Direct places covering early years, primary and secondary places.

School Direct Recruitment Events are held throughout the year with presenters providing prospective delegates with all the necessary information regarding the school direct route.



**School Direct** For further information please visit our websites:-

<http://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/sd.asp> for Primary

<http://www.salopteachingschool.co.uk> for Secondary

For further information on School Direct please contact Shirley Milner

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## Salop Teaching School Alliance Vision

*We firmly believe that we are 'stronger together' and that partnership and collaboration between practicing teachers in different schools is the only way to continually develop and improve teaching and learning for the benefit of students, parents and the communities in which we work.*



If you need further help and would like to discuss the Salop Teaching School Alliance please contact: Sandra Cooper, Teaching School & Community Co-ordinator, The Priory School, Longden Road, Shrewsbury SY3 9EE. Email: [sc@priory.shropshire.sch.uk](mailto:sc@priory.shropshire.sch.uk) [www.salopteachingschool.co.uk](http://www.salopteachingschool.co.uk)

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The alliance prides itself on high quality provision which is relevant to the needs of the local workforce. We host and offer a range of courses and programmes aimed at both Teaching and Support Staff, across both the secondary and primary sector.



### Recently Qualified Teacher Programme

This programme is for recently qualified teachers to further support their professional development with a key focus on continuing to develop as an outstanding classroom practitioner in the first few years after NQT qualification.

Session 1 - 10th February 2015

Session 5 - 30th April 2015

Session 2 - 26th March 2015

Session 6 - 20th May 2015

Session 3 - 14th April 2015

Session 4 - 21st April 2015

Times: 16.00 to 18.00 hours Course Fee: £300 per delegate

### Performance Management for Support Staff within Schools - Secondary and Primary

Aimed at Business Managers or those responsible for support staff performance management. To understand the benefits of effective performance management for support staff and for your school *(Please note each date is an individual course)*.

Date: 2nd March Time: 9.30 to 2.45 pm Course Fee: £85

Date 15th June 9.30 to 2.45 pm Course Fee: £85

### Food Safety Course in Catering Level 2 Award - Secondary and Primary

This award is for anyone who works with or handles food. The course gives delegates the basic principles of food hygiene and also the opportunity to gain a qualification. *(Please note each date is an individual course)*.

Date: 12th March from 9am to 5pm. Course Fee: £60 for first delegate subsequent delegates £30 each

Date; 19th May from 9am to 5pm. Course Fee: £60 for first delegate subsequent delegates £30 each

### Stonewall Anti-bullying & Diversity Programme - Secondary Phase

**Train the Trainer** series provides pastoral, PSHE and anti-bullying leads with all the tools and techniques needed to train other staff on tackling homophobic bullying and celebrating differences. It also provides support on how to positively celebrate difference in an age appropriate way and meeting the requirements under the new Ofsted inspection framework. *(Please note each date is an individual session)*.

Date: 5th February from 3.30 to 4.30 pm Course Fee: £20 per delegate

Date: 18th June from from 3.30 to 4.30 pm Course Fee: £20 per delegate

### Nutrition & Health Eating Course - Secondary and Primary

This qualification looks at the basic principles of nutrition which underpins the production of healthy food and preparation of special diets, and has as its focus the key role of nutrition in health.

Date: 16th June from 9am to 5pm. Course Fee: £60 for first delegate subsequent delegates £30 each

## Primary Science—Leader Kate Blacklock

Planning for teaching and learning in a creative curriculum using the new science curriculum.

Dates: *(Please note each date is an individual course).*

8th January - Assessment & Progress in Primary Science Lower Key Stage Two (Y3 & 4)

27th February - Assessment and progress in Primary Science in Upper Key Stage Two (Y5 and 6)

24th March - Primary Science Subject Leader Day

19th June - Linking Science and Maths in the new Curriculum

9th July - Linking Science and English in the new Curriculum

Times: 9.30 to 3.30 pm Course Fee: £85 per course.

The alliance is developing an aspirant senior leaders course and a new course aimed at experienced teachers to boost their performance in the classroom. Details will be circulated shortly.

### BOOKING INFORMATION

To book on any of the courses above please visit the Salop Teaching School website CPD page you will need to register before the booking facilities become available to you

<http://www.salopteachingschool.co.uk>

**To book OSIRIS and KSLC courses below please contact them direct.**

### OSIRIS Courses - Secondary and Primary Phase

- How to Build an Outstanding Computer Science Curriculum - Date: 6th March -
- Leading Literacy to Outstanding - Date: 20th March
- All Students Pass Maths GCSE - Date: 19th March
- Assessment Without Levels - Date: 14th May
- Outstanding Subject Leadership - Date: 15th May

**To book and find out more information visit: [www.osiriseducational.co.uk](http://www.osiriseducational.co.uk) or T: 0808 160 5160**

### Secondary Science - Standing Out in Science (KSLC)

Skilled science teachers will explore how to embed outstanding practice in all lessons and will include; demonstrating progress and attainment; literacy and numeracy in science; effective practical work; active learning; evaluating interventions through classroom research.

Dates 6 sessions: 29th January, 3rd February, 5th March, 18th March, 23rd June and 14th July.

Times: 3.00pm - 5.30pm. Course Fees: £630 for all 6 sessions (Impact Award of £210)

**To book on the KSLC courses visit: [www.keele.ac.uk/kslc](http://www.keele.ac.uk/kslc) or T: 01782 734429**

**The Teaching School Team - Alison Bell** Director of Teaching School/Assistant Headteacher

**Sandra Cooper** Teaching School & Community Co-ordinator **Shirley Milner** School Direct Co-ordinator

We are very pleased to announce the appointment of **Janette Carter** to the Salop Teaching School Alliance team at The Priory School. Janette started in October 2014 and is providing administration support for Teaching Schools and the Maths Hub she also co-ordinates the School Experience Programme.

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