



Newsletter

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Leadership Success

Throughout this year, in each edition we have focused on a particular aspect of the ATA - and in this edition we are concentrating our Leadership Courses.



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Leadership Development for Middle Leaders (LDML)

Since its inception, over 250 participants have completed this very successful course and Liz Pope and Glynis Masters are happy to announce the success of cohort 4! Cohort 5 are due to complete on the 1 July and Cohort 6 will commence in June. Cohort 6 was full at the end of March and we now have a waiting list for Cohort 7 to start in the Autumn term.

Liz and Glynis continue to get excellent feedback from participants and with the commencement of Cohort 6, they will have run 9 Middle Leader courses that they have run over the last 4 years.

Participants say:

- `I feel more confident with staff and parents, in being more proactive rather than reactive`
- `The course has given me a chance to see things in a different way`
- `Thank you for a fantastic course. It has been highly rewarding`

We continue to keep the cost of this highly effective course at £350 - real value for money!

NPQSL

Just as popular and successful is our NPQSL course run by Denise Danielsen and Lesley Donald. Cohort 7 has just completed their first two core days and Cohort 6 complete their electives in May and July. So far 100 participants have undertaken this prestigious qualification and have enjoyed spearheading an improvement project in their school.

This National qualification is a forerunner to NPQH and is aimed at Assistant Headteachers or above, requiring candidates to focus on whole school issues and leadership qualities.

With the removal of NCTL bursaries, the course is not cheap, but through subsidies from KAH we have managed to maintain the cost to around £795, although there may be an increase from next September. However, with the very positive feedback from participants and the numbers who have secured promotion to senior leadership, it is seen that the money is well spent!

Look out for the next round being advertised in the Autumn!

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School Direct Teacher Training

We celebrated last year with a staggering 87% of trainees achieving a grade of Outstanding! This year's trainees are now in the final months and are doing very well, too!

We aim to recruit high calibre trainee teachers and the ATA and partner schools continue to provide a comprehensive training for the teachers of the future.

What's on Offer!

- **Teaching Assistant Training** on Tuesday 10 May, 1.15-3.45pm at Downs View Infant School. This session is on Effective Computing/E-safety in EY and KS1.
- The effective **OTP** sessions run by Lady Joanna Thornhill School as always are well subscribed. The next session is on Wednesday 25 May
- Downs View Infant School are running a **History Day for KS1** on Thursday 19 May, 9.30am - 2.30pm. This session is suitable for academically more able children.
- The **Mastery in Mathematics** in the new primary curriculum is over half way through the 12 week course and excellent feedback has been received
- **NQT Induction Programme** The final session takes place on Thursday 16 June, 1.30pm - 4.30pm at Aldington Eco Centre. All primary NQTs are invited to attend
- **Help with Listening/Reading in MFL** on Tuesday 24 May, 4.15-5.15 at Brockhill Park Performing Arts College. This session is for Secondary and Year5/6 teachers and will look at the current research of cognitive and metacognitive strategies that help MFL students to make sense of what they hear and what they read - £25 per candidate
- The next highly popular **Behaviour Management with Peter Hobbs** session is on Wednesday 8 June, 9.30-12.30pm

For full details of all our courses and how to book, please visit our website.

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