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Happy Summer Holidays!



A huge thank you to everyone for all your hard work over the year. Some of you break up this week with others finishing over the next two.

Next week will be our last ebulletin of the year. Have a great break

For Action  
Attempted Fraud

It came to light this week that an attempted fraud occurred against a National Leader of Governance. The attempted fraud involved finance information being intercepted in an unsecured personal email account, and then emails sent from that account to a school in an attempt to divert payment to a different bank account. Fortunately the customer had spotted this change and questioned it, the NLG’s school then reported this to the [Action Fraud](#) helpline. Please can we remind all system leaders to be vigilant and, when sending sensitive material such as financial or personal information, to use secured email addresses. Thank you.



For Information  
SEND School’ Workforce Programme

Nadhim Zahawi (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Children and Families) formally launched the SEND Schools' Workforce programme at the Nasen conference (12 July) this week; this will be delivered by the Whole School SEND consortium, led by Nasen and University College London.

The Whole School Send Consortium will build a community of practice across England and create regional hubs to bring together local SEND practitioners, improve the exchange of knowledge and improve demand for – and access to – resources and training.

The newly appointed regional SEND leaders met Minister Zahawi last week to share their plans for sharing good practice and drive schools to improve provision for children and young people with SEND. The regional SEND leaders, and their deputies, will be encouraging schools to join the growing Community of Practice across England. By the end of March 2019 over 7,000 schools are expected to be part of the community of practice, with that figure rising to 10,000 by the end of March 2020.

A reminder that the Regional SEND Lead for our region is Judith Smith, Executive Head, Talbot Specialist School and Fusion TSA. The Deputy for our region, is Jane Starbuck, Inclusion Lead, Newark Schools.

For more information on the new regional SEND roles, see the attached briefing.



### Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship



The DfE would like to share an updated version of the Postgraduate Teaching Apprenticeship. This version provides information on the structure, responsibilities, funding and how to request places. To view the document please [click here](#).

### East Midlands and Humber Summer Newsletter

John Edwards, Regional Schools Commissioner, has shared the last newsletter of the academic year, [click here](#) to view this.

Items included;

- Trust Networking Meeting Dates
- Secretary of State NAHT Speech - 4th May
- Secretary of State NGA Speech - 9th June
- Free Schools: New application round
- The Teaching and Leadership Innovation Fund (TLIF)
- Teacher Recruitment and Retention - Have your say
- Apprenticeships for the school workforce
- Good Estate Management for Schools (GEMS)
- Significant Changes to Existing Academies
- Ofsted inspections - May 2018
- Lincolnshire Teaching Assistant of the Year
- Reducing Knife Crime



## Opportunities NLGs for Further Education



You may have seen that the Department has launched recruitment for NLGs for FE colleges. The original FE NLG programme was delivered by the Association of Colleges on behalf of the Education and Training Foundation (ETF). Anne Milton, Minister for Apprenticeships and Skills, announced at the Association of Colleges' Governance Summit on 14 March 2018, that the funding and management of the programme would transfer to the Department for Education, specifically the FE Commissioner's office.

Recruitment will be a rigorous process, including an application form and assessment day. Initially the DfE will recruit a small first cohort with potential for numbers to increase as needed. Delivery of the role will be under contract to the Department and the FE Commissioner's office will direct NLG support to colleges following a diagnostic assessment or intervention visit.

Further information about the role and how it links to the National Leader of FE role can be found [here](#).

## Regional Opportunities

Please [click here](#) to visit the portal to view the latest regional opportunities;

- Doncaster Research School Conference

All the best,  
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- in an effective partnership