

Weekly regional update w/c 19.03.18 – 28th edition

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Dates for your diary

6th June – Submit draft SSIF application to DfE
for feedback
Inspiring Leadership Conference 14-15 June
EMSYH Conference, 25th June

Strategic School Improvement Fund

The DfE have agreed to do a one-time read of each application and feedback on areas for development – **if you would to take up this opportunity please email your application to info@emsyh.org.uk by no later than 6th April.** All feedback will be shared with the TSC team for the purposes providing additional support if appropriate. If you do not wish for your feedback to be shared then please let me know.

Applications will be reviewed in the order in which they have been received. Feedback to applicants will be provided as soon after the 6th of April as it is possible. As applications will be reviewed in the order in which they are received please send in your draft at your earliest opportunity but by no later than 6th April.



School Experience Programme



The **School Experience Programme** offers lots of benefits to schools as it brings prospective teachers through their doors so they can play a key role in teacher recruitment. Candidates value the opportunity to experience school life from a teacher’s perspective and the school experience can be pivotal in their decision to proceed to apply for a teaching course. The first ‘**Spotlight on SEP week**’ will be **W/C 23rd April**.

Candidates will be contacted directly by the Department’s contact centre to raise awareness, and the SEP team will also promote the event through social media and networking groups in the run up and over the course of the week. This is an excellent opportunity for Teaching Schools to be at the forefront of promotion for the School Experience Programme and each school will have the freedom to offer individual days or the full week to candidates. DfE will provide ideas about best practice, however these are guidelines only and schools can decide the content of the School Experience to suit their own context.

Teaching Schools should **register on the portal by Tuesday 3rd April** – as this is when DfE will begin to promote the Week to candidates. The portal can be accessed by following this link and you can create your school's account by contacting the SEP team on the details provided: [Click here](#)

Targeted Support Fund

The Targeted Support Fund is currently running its final round, with most projects ending in September 2018. NCTL would like to thank you for your work and commitment towards the fund. Across all regions, there have been a number of successful projects. The fund has reached over 4000 participants over four years, mainly supporting participants who are aspiring head teachers and recently qualified teachers. Many of the TSF project leads (88%) are already building on what they have learned into a wider offer of other CPD leadership programmes.

The DfE are trying to improve the funds available regionally and provide clarity towards eligibility and access to funds. They offer a number of other similar funds and will ensure that these are signposted to Teaching Schools. For any further questions, please contact: TSF.mailbox@education.gov.uk

Aspiring Teaching School Fund Update



Message from Department for Education

'The Aspiring Teaching School application round has closed. Despite receiving hundreds of enquiries through their inbox no applications were received until a cut-off date was introduced. Then, just over 40 applications were received. Nine grants have been awarded to date and there was another moderation meeting on 20 March. A big

thank you to those who have provided regional intelligence about applications from your area – If you haven't there's still time!

While the fund is being reviewed, schools can still register their interest using an [online form](#) (or copy this URL <http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/aspiringTS/> into a web browser).

If you can help the team understand why physical applications have been lower than anticipated, please email your comments, feedback or questions to ros.perry@education.gov.uk or Aspiring.TEACHINGSCHOOL@education.gov.uk

Research School newsletters

Keep up-to-date with all the latest news from our regions research schools by signing up to receive free monthly e-newsletters by clicking the links below:

- [Kyra – Lincoln](#)
- [Partners in Learning – Doncaster](#)
- [Wyndham Primary Academy – Derby](#)
- [Huntington School - Huntington](#)



Regional Opportunities

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

All the best,
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