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Strategic School Improvement Fund Round 2

Thank you to all those who have shared their early thinking around your Round 2 SSIF applications. We are delighted to see the cross partnership working and collaboration coming through the developing partnerships. Understandably, the thinking around applications is still progressing so please can we ask that you send through your updates, using the attached template, to Ellen.Lee@sdsa.net as they continue to take shape.

If you would like to discuss your applications please contact
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National Leader of Governance Update

Stronger Governance Successful Application

The EMSYH region was successful in its application for funds to support the on-going support of NLGs across the newly-expanded region. This means that the arrangements we have recently started to create can be continued for the year ahead and start to become embedded. What this is means is:

A small group NLG Local Co-ordinators (deployed within Partnership/SRIB areas) will work for around 10 additional days per year to support the work of NLGs in their area. They will provide a network of support, provide induction for new NLGs, liaise with Teaching Schools to make sure NLG work is planned effectively and have an eye on the quality assurance of NLG deployments. For the East Midlands sub region these have now been appointed: Sarah Armitage (Derby and Derbyshire), John Bowers (Nottingham and Nottinghamshire), Suzanne Uprichard (Leicester, Leicestershire Rutland) and Roger Moore (Lincolnshire). The recruitment process is currently underway for NLG Local Co-ordinators for the South Yorkshire and Humber sub-region.

Our EMSYH NLG Champion Jane Lewis will then work on a region-wide basis for around 20 days over the year to co-ordinate and quality assure the overall NLG arrangements.

NLG Evaluation Survey Research Report

NCTL have recently published a research report highlighting findings from deployment evaluation surveys. The report which can be found [here](#) highlights the excellent work that is undertaken by NLGs to support other schools:

- **88%** of respondents very satisfied with the NLG support provided
- **96%** of respondents believed that the support provided by the NLG had led to positive impact for the Chair and/or governing board
- **97%** recommended their NLG.

NLG Deployment Reporting Reminder

Can we please remind NLGs in their region the importance of updating the deployment portal on a regular basis. The data is critical in enabling DfE and TSC regions to understand the range of NLG delivery.

Opportunities available through the Targeted Support Fund

East Midlands Colleagues

Booking has now opened for this year's Pathways to Leadership programme. This is a programme aimed at recently qualified teachers who are secure in their teaching practice and are ready to explore excellence in teaching and a first step into leading others. This year the programme will be held in Leicester (17th November 2017 and 8th March 2018) and Derbyshire (21st November 2017 and 12th March 2018). More information attached.

We are looking for a keynote speaker for this programme to talk about work life balance and resilience for 45 minutes (to discuss the related science and psychology, and to offer practical ideas to support RQTs as they progress in their career). Have you seen a speaker on this topic that you could recommend? If so, please email your suggestion to hayley.carter@sdsa.net Many thanks in anticipation.

South Yorkshire and Humber Colleagues,

[‘Stepping Up to Headship’ - Learners First](#) ‘Stepping Up to Headship’ A Targeted Leadership Development Programme for Aspirant Headteachers in the Yorkshire & the Humber Region. www.learnersfirst.net

[Teacher Programmes | St Anthony's Teaching School](#) Stepping Up To Headship - St Anthony's Teaching School will be delivering an exciting programme for aspiring heads. www.stanthonysteachingschool.co.uk

Humber Partnership Meeting

Thank you to all those who attended the joint Humber Region meeting of TSAs, and LA representatives which took place last week in Hull. The meeting focused on maximising potential Round 2 SSIF applications for the sub-region and planning for future collaboration. Six potential applications emerged through this partnership maximising on local delivery capacity and joint strategic planning.

Next Meeting – 6th November at 10.30am at Kelvin Hall (Hull)

- Secondary Strategy Update and Additional LA Information (including schools already included in Round 1 and 2 applications) leading to early planning re Round 3 SSIF applications.
- Future Ways of working across the SRIB

If you have any questions please contact Pat Dubas - patdubas@hotmail.com.

East Midlands Teaching School Network

[Please find attached finalised agenda.](#)

Date: Thursday 2nd November, 10am – 12:30pm (with lunch)

Venue: Forest Way School, LE67 4UU

[Click here](#) to reserve your places.

If you have any questions please contact Rebecca.Smith@sdas.net or [click here](#) to visit the portal.

SYH colleagues, representative colleagues from the South Yorkshire and Humber sub region are invited to attend, as a guest, in order to hear the key messages being shared with the potential of creating a parallel

network within your local area. Pat will have been discussing this with you so can you liaise with Pat please if you would like to attend to represent your area.

Teaching and Leadership Innovation Fund (TLIF)

[Click here](#) to view the Prior Information Notice and to register your interest in the upcoming funding round (date tbc). TLIF opportunity to design and deliver professional development programmes for teachers and school leaders.

Regional opportunities

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

All the best,

Ellen Lee

On behalf Chris Wheatley, Teaching School Council Representative

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