

Norwich Opportunity Area

Offers to support Primary & Secondary schools (April 2021)

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SAVE THE DATE: Virtual “Sharing Learning Showcase”

All NOA schools and stakeholders are invited to a virtual **Sharing Learning Showcase** week which will be an opportunity to share the learning from Norwich & Ipswich Opportunity Areas and to introduce our new Online Hub. Full details of sessions, speakers and how to sign up will follow.

Monday 28th June – Friday 2nd July

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Inclusion & Transition	Mental Health, Wellbeing & Resilience	Attainment	Early Years & Communication	Careers & Aspirations

Offers for Primary Schools

Funded Offer	Next steps:
<p>New! Elklan Training Schools/settings interested in accessing core practitioner training from Elklan related to the 0-5 cohort are invited to contact Ashley to submit a funding request. Funded CPD is available for up to 2 members of staff for Summer Term 2021.</p>	<p>Contact Ashley Cater - ashley.cater@norfolk.gov.uk</p>
<p>New! Further development of in-house Alternative Provision Further support is available from NOA for schools interested in developing in-house AP in partnership with other NOA schools. Any schools interested in being involved in this work please review the principles for this work here and contact Jan to sign up. Further funding will be awarded where it supports collaboration between schools to support pupils who are at risk of exclusion.</p>	<p>Contact Jan Cockburn by Friday 7th May to express an interest - janet.cockburn@norfolk.gov.uk</p>
<p>New! Inclusion Assessment Tool Roll Out & Grant Funding Inclusion Champions from all primary schools can access training on the new self-assessment tool that supports the principles of the Inclusion Charter via Inclusion Champion meetings in May. Once schools have completed their first iteration of the Assessment Tool, they will be able to apply for NOA funding to support overcoming key gaps evidenced by the tool. Grant funding forms will be shared alongside the training.</p>	<p>Contact Jan Cockburn for meeting details if your Inclusion Champion hasn't had an invite - janet.cockburn@norfolk.gov.uk</p>
<p>Continuing ... Remote Teaching Champions All primary schools are welcome to attend Remote Teaching Champion network meetings to share learning and access advice and support, facilitated by Norfolk CC remote education lead, Jonathan Nice.</p>	<p>Contact Claire Sparrow for info – claire.sparrow@newanglia.co.uk</p>
<p>Continuing ... Parent Support Programme (Benjamin Foundation) The Benjamin Foundation support is fully back up and running, offering families a bespoke “Pathway to Inclusion” plan. Intervention plans will typically involve parent coaching, home visits, communication between visits, multi-agency meetings and signposting to other support. Parents can also attend a 6 week “Nurtured Heart Approach” parenting programme.</p>	<p>Contact TBP directly for referrals - inclusionproject@benjaminfoundation.co.uk</p>

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<p>Continuing ... Communication Champion Hubs & Networks Half-termly network meetings are led by our four Communication Champion Hubs – Lakenham Primary School, North Norwich Hub (Mile Cross, Catton Grove & Lionwood) & Peapod Preschool - join a meeting to share best practice SLCN approaches.</p> <p>The 0-2 Communication Hub meets half termly for anyone working with 0-2 year olds and their families, or with an interest in 0-2 year old communication development.</p>	<p>CC Hub contacts are listed on - Norwich Opportunity Area</p> <p>Contact Ashley for more info about 0-2 Hub - Ashley.cater@norfolk.gov.uk</p>
<p>Continuing ... Communication Training Funded (virtual) training opportunities are being planned by the Hubs for Summer Term (Word Aware, Sign Along, Talk Boost & Attention Autism). Free Online Communication Champion Training for teachers and support staff is available here.</p>	<p>CC Hub contacts are listed on - Norwich Opportunity Area</p>

Offers for Secondary Schools

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Offers to support Transition (Primary to Secondary)

Transition (Primary to Secondary) Reminders ...	Next steps:
<p>Reminder: Joint Transition Week We hope to go ahead, hopefully with face-to-face activities where possible. Secondary schools are asked to confirm which days transition visits and activities are planned, to be shared across all primary schools.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Transition Week - w/c 12th July 2021 • Transition support and activities for vulnerable students during w/c 5th July 2021. 	<p>Secondary schools please confirm plans so far for Transition Week with Emma - e.vandeventer@sewellpark.org</p>
<p>New! English Curriculum Bridging Project Webinar Primary and secondary schools are encouraged to reconsider how the jointly created English Bridging project resources could be used this year with Year 6 & 7 students. An introductory webinar featuring the writers is planned: Primary Schools: 4pm-5pm 6th May - to book follow this link: https://bit.ly/2QpHjJK Secondary Schools: 4pm-5pm 13th May - to book follow this link https://bit.ly/2Q00zxK</p>	<p>Primary - https://bit.ly/2QpHjJK Secondary - https://bit.ly/2Q00zxK</p>

<p>New! NOA Summer School Funding to support Y6-7 Transition Top up funding may be available from NOA where schools have plans to use the government funding to support transition activities over the summer holidays but have ambitions to do more than this funding allows.</p>	Contact Emma van Deventer - e.vandeventer@gmail.com
<p>Reopened ... CPD Transition Visits Secondary and primary schools are invited to visit each other's schools to support transition between phases (Covid-19 restrictions allowing). Cover and any associated visit costs will be covered by NOA. If your school would like to take part in a visit or visiting, please contact Emma (1 visitor from 1 school per visit).</p>	Contact Emma van Deventer - e.vandeventer@gmail.com
<p>Updated! New version of the Common Transfer Document (For Year 6 students) All new and updated! (well, there's one more column!) Primary schools will be asked to complete and share information with the relevant secondary schools.</p>	Download the latest version here
<p>New! Reading, Libraries and Transition NOA and Norfolk Libraries have joined up to offer a new pilot project aimed at getting more students signed up to their local library. Simply send this link to a Norfolk Libraries form out to all parents as part of your transition work this spring/summer, and parents can choose to sign their children up to an online only (e-lite) or a full library membership. This is aimed at Y6-Y7 transition but all parents can sign up their children via this new form.</p>	Questions about the sign-up scheme or the form, contact Laura – laura.mouland@norfolk.gov.uk
<p>New! Training about the online library services – for NOA schools ONLY School librarian training from the Education Library Service (via Zoom) To introduce attendees to the range of resources available from Norfolk Libraries including eBooks, eAudio, PressReader and navigating the Libby App, giving staff the skills and confidence to advise children and young people on how to use these to maximum effect. Suitable for both Primary and Secondary school staff. 10 places on each date below -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 10th May: 4-5.30pm (after school twilight session) • Wednesday 12th May: 10-11.30am • Monday 17th May: 4-5.30pm (after school twilight session) • Wednesday 19th May: 10-11.30am 	To book, please email education.library.service@norfolk.gov.uk with the subject 'NOA Training' stating which session you would like to attend
<p>New! RSHE curriculum resources and training Complete the quick COMPLIANCE CALCULATOR to review and share current areas of need with a RAG report to identify any future training needs for your school and across NOA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DfE funded training for Norfolk primary and secondary schools - training starts 29th April • Fully subsidised RSHE surgery and webinars - next session: 15th June 	More info here - RSHE Educator Solutions (norfolk.gov.uk)

Offers from other organisations

<p>Department for Education – Summer School Funding - Deadline is end of April To take advantage of the national offer for a 1 or 2 week summer school at £59.70 per pupil per day, please follow this link to find out more and register your school.</p>
<p>Department for Education – Turing Scheme Deadline for school bids is 12:00 noon on 7 May - find out more online: www.turing-scheme.org.uk.</p> <p>Replacement for the previous Erasmus scheme, the Turing scheme is global with no limit on countries involved (meaning that not studying MFL is not a barrier to accessing an international experience). Focus on widening access for disadvantaged and vulnerable pupils and applications are weighted on disadvantage criteria.</p>

Schools can get funding towards travel, cost of living per day, operational support for organisation and actual travel costs of additional expenses like visas/passports/health insurance are fully met for PP pupils and costs for any additional needs for SEND pupils. Duration can be short term placements (3 days to 2 months) or long term (up to 6 months for age 14+) for school pupils.

Norwich 2040 Figurine Partnership Project

The Norwich 2040 Local Cultural Education Partnership (LCEP) invite schools across Norwich to be part of an exciting collaborative project, which aims to enable every child and young person in our city to take part in heartening shared creativity. The partnership will support schools and their pupils to create small figurines that capture how they are feeling as we come back together as a community. Open to all primary, secondary and SEN settings in Norwich and the surrounding areas – and to all arts & cultural organisations and practitioners as well.

Schools can fill in [this expression of intent form](#) by **Friday 30th April** to let us know what you will need from the partnership to make it happen. You can begin as soon as you like and we aim to exhibit the first wave of figurines across Norwich this July. Contact the Norwich 2040 Coordinator Milly at milly@youngnorfolkarts.org info [here](#)

Wensum English Hub

The Wensum English Hub is located at **Heather Avenue Infant School**, part of The Wensum Trust, and is one of 34 English Hubs nationwide. Funded by the DfE, the Hub support other schools to achieve excellence in teaching reading and early language development. [Wensum English Hub](#)

Schools are invited to sign up to free webinars and to subscribe to the [Hub newsletter here](#) for announcements, support and advice. Upcoming webinars – [Reading Fluency & Comprehension with Caroline Bilton – 17th May](#) & [Engaging Reluctant Readers with Tom Palmer – 24th May](#)

Angles Maths Hub

Is delighted to be able to offer some **free 1:1 support and development opportunities for Primary teachers and leaders**. This bespoke, free, online support could include, bespoke Maths-focused Staff Meeting, Covid Recovery plans, Implementing the DfE 2020 Curriculum Guidance, Developing aspects of mastery in mathematics (e.g. mathematical language, use of manipulatives) and New Maths Subject leader support. To discuss and arrange 1:1 Primary support or further opportunities with Angles Maths Hub, please complete this [short Google form](#)

Free, online session focusing on curriculum recovery in **primary mathematics**. This unique opportunity focuses on primary maths curriculum recovery, due to the impact on teaching and learning during the Covid-19 pandemic. Monday 13th September, 4-5pm - to reserve your school's free place on Eventbrite click [here](#)

At **Secondary and Post 16** we have a wide range of free CPD programmes we will be launching from September. Included in these are some brand new programmes: support for Heads of Departments, subject knowledge enhancement for Teaching Assistants and subject knowledge enhancement for new teachers of Higher GCSE topics. These are in addition to our existing programmes, contact samphillips@anglesmathshub.org for full details.

Mail Force Computers for Kids and Vodaphone

Mail Force's Computer for Kids campaign is offering **free data** for the children who need it most to make sure they are able to access online learning and do not miss out on their education. Free SIMS are available on a first come first served basis to every further education college, state primary and secondary school in the UK. [Info here](#)

Free books – Return to school

Books Beyond Words have **free**, downloadable books to support families with return to school. **Lenny and Lily in Lockdown** and **Lenny and Lily Return to School** will help children make sense of their experiences during the coronavirus pandemic, communicate their feelings and prepare for more change as they go back to the classroom. As the stories are told in pictures alone, it is not necessary for children to be able to read words to enjoy them. They are appropriate for pupils in both mainstream and special education settings. [Info here.](#)

Offers from other organisations – Careers Provision & Support

NCS – National Citizen Service

NCS opportunities for 2021 are now live for young people to engage with. As part of the Covid response, NCS has adapted to ensure we are supporting the relevant needs of young people and communities. We will still run a summer programme but also have created direct support for Schools and also have local monthly meetings for young people to take part in.

- **Residential programme** - young people can sign up [here](#) and promotional [video is here](#)
- **Skillsbooster** are free downloadable resources, 4 lessons supporting teaching and their students cover self-belief, hope and gratitude, being connected and employability, ambition, aspiration and return to learning.

Contact Lauren for more info - Laurenogboru@ncstrust.org.uk

Preparing for Social Sciences programme

Free event - Preparing for Social Sciences - is a 16-month programme for current Year 12/L3 Yr1 and access students, designed for those from underrepresented backgrounds in the Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire regions *criteria applies. Essentially the programme allows students to test out a social science subject that they are interested in studying in future, without the commitment! They get a UEA student mentor, and are able to shadow them and experience what its like to be a university student, taking part in various taster sessions. **Applications are open, and will close on 23rd April 2021** - more info on our website here: <https://bit.ly/2NIUBpF>

Pathway Planners programme for current Year 11s (neaco)

Pathway Planners is a series of up to 10 half hour sessions which are aimed at Y11 or level 2 students who are struggling to make decisions about next steps. To take place March onwards! There is a mix of live and pre-recorded sessions, live sessions to be delivered by a Higher Education Champion. Contact your HEC to find out more info and discuss setting up sessions. **See [flyer](#) for more details.** Sessions plan to cover:

- Confidence Workshop
- Considering Careers
- What Are the Options in My Area?
- Student Ambassador and/or HEC Q+A
- Exploring Your Possible Pathways
- Motivation and Resilience Workshop
- Model Interviews

Secondary Schools: New Anglia Careers Hub – Virtual Offers

The Careers Hub, working with NCC, have created a **database of local and national Virtual Work Experience and Virtual Inspirational Work Encounters opportunities** for schools. This includes a huge variety of options from employers across different sectors - [Virtual Work Experience and Inspirational Work Encounters \(padlet.com\)](#)

Speakers for Schools events for **Schools & Colleges to learn more about virtual work experience and the impact it can have:** [May 4th](#) & [May 13th](#). Summary of [current virtual WEX opportunities for young people is here.](#)

Careers & Enterprise Company - My Learning, My Future

The CEC have launched, **My Learning, My Future**, a suite of resources to support subject teaching staff, from over 20 subjects at KS3 & 4, to engage students in curriculum learning by highlighting the relevance of their subjects to future careers and opportunities. The aim of the resources is for students to see the relevance and value of subject curriculum teaching and learning and to be explicitly supported in making connections between subjects and pathways to positive transitions. This supports schools to meet Gatsby Benchmark 4.

[My Learning My Future | CEC Resource Directory \(careersandenterprise.co.uk\)](#)