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Improving education and life chances for children and young people in North Tyneside



Welcome to the new look issue of Trust! This issue contains useful links and attachments to websites, flyers and booking forms, a link to our new <u>Trust Twitter page</u> and buttons for you to quickly and easily share the newsletter with your friends and colleagues. There are lots of exciting developments to share with you this term; the Trust is set to invest £400k to support the installation of wireless and the purchase of ICT hardware in Trust schools, we have appointed a Partnership Coordinator to support relationships and strengthen communications with partners and a number of new programmes are being launched in partnership with employers, and higher and further education partners. I hope you enjoy reading about these and much more in issue 3 of Trust.



Kehri Ellis, Chief Executive of North Tyneside Learning Trust

Trust approves £400k match funded ICT Grants Programme

The Trust is set to invest £400k in two match funded grant programmes to be made available to all Trust schools. Each school will be offered two grants totalling up to £10,000 (which they must match fund), one towards installing/upgrading wireless infrastructure and the other towards the purchase of ICT hardware.

The offer is being extended to schools who have recently installed a wireless infrastructure (during the academic year 2012-13) and new schools joining the Trust before September 2013.

Kehri Ellis, CEO of NTLT said "The Trust is committed to achieving site wide, high density

wireless connections in all Trust schools. Investment in ICT hardware will also be essential if schools are to make best use of their new wireless capability to transform teaching and learning in schools."

Full details and application forms, including eligibility criteria, will be distributed to schools in May and made available on the <u>Trust website</u>.



We are delighted to announce that both Tribal and Balfour Beatty Workplace Ltd have signed up as the latest formal Employer Partners of the Trust.

<u>Tribal</u> deliver a wide range of education improvement services and are the largest provider of inspections services to Ofsted, the UK schools' and childcare regulator. Tribal employs 1,300 people and works across the world in five continents. Tribal is also an employer partner of the Innovation Trust, who currently supports Monkseaton High School.

TRIBAL

<u>Balfour Beatty</u> entered into a 10 year partnership with North Tyneside Council commencing on 1 November 2012 and are set to invest £13.1m in a package of services incorporating finance, procurement, revenues and benefits and ICT.

The company have already made a number of commitments to Trust schools including a pledge to supply two Trust Governors, advertising Apprenticeship vacancies and delivering a range of activities in schools including career talks, assembly presentations, work placements and mentoring.

Balfour Beatty

Trust School's Engineering Success

Congratulations to all teams from Trust Schools Special congratulations go to Whitley Bay High who took part in the <u>Engineering Education</u> School students James Clayton, Megan <u>Scheme</u> (EES) Celebration and Assessment Day Crudace, Matt Escott, Lucie Carr, Cameron Hill, held at Newcastle University on 19 April 2013. Teacher Laura Gilbert and Engineer Steven

All teams performed exceptionally well and the 'Thermo regulation of sub-sea umbilical judges were very impressed with the quality of systems' beat 27 state and independent schools the presentations.

from across the region to win the Nissan Rose

Special congratulations go to Whitley Bay High School students James Clayton, Megan Crudace, Matt Escott, Lucie Carr, Cameron Hill, Teacher Laura Gilbert and Engineer Steven Frazer from Duco/Technip. Their project 'Thermo regulation of sub-sea umbilical systems' beat 27 state and independent schools from across the region to win the Nissan Rose Bowl prize.



The Trust is committed to encouraging more young people into higher and further education and <u>Teachers' Toolkit</u>, a new website launched by Newcastle University, will help us work more closely with our higher education partner to promote activities and events and ensure all schools have access to the full range of resources on offer.

The Teachers' Toolkit website provides a single point of access for everything that Newcastle University offers to schools and colleges. You can view over 250 resources by subject, audience, type or on a calendar for easy scheduling. It is the easiest way to find the information you need quickly and will ensure your enquiries reach the right person at the

University every time. Resources available include: University taster events, workshops in school, undergraduate tutors and mentors for help in the classroom, research-informed learning materials and CPD for teachers. Assistance with the travel costs for students attending events on the University campus is also available via the website. To access this valuable resource visit www.ncl.ac.uk/teacherstoolkit



Northumbria University Apprentice Students on Campus

The Trust is working closely with Northumbria University to raise the aspirations of young children for future learning. Northumbria University are hosting an Apprentice Students on Campus (ASC) event which will be taking place from Monday 10 June to Friday 14 June 2013.

Help with transport costs will be available from the Trust. If you would like further information please contact Judith Liddle at judith.liddle@northtyneside.gov.uk.



STEMtastic at TyneMet College

The Trust is working in partnership with TyneMet College to ignite interest in Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM). The college are staging a STEMtastic event on Tuesday 9th July 2013. The half day sessions will allow year 6 pupils to participate in 10 STEM activities including; building suspension bridges, firing rockets and being mini Crime Scene Investigators.

Help with transport costs will be available from the Trust. For further details please contact Judith Liddle at judith.liddle@northtyneside.gov.uk





The Trust is working with <u>VODA</u> to deliver the <u>National Citizen Service</u> (NCS); a sixweek programme delivered during the summer holidays aimed at any young person aged 16-17. Support from Balfour Beatty means that a limited number of free places are available to young people in North Tyneside if they apply directly through VODA. The programme includes an outdoor activity residential, a local residential, project planning and community action. It provides young people with the opportunity to:

- Take on new challenges and learn new skills
- Make a difference while making new friends
- Grow their confidence and CV
- Experience something new as they help out the local community
- Graduate with a certificate signed by the Prime Minister

Detailed information can be found on VODA's website by clicking <u>here</u>. You can



also watch a short video about the NCS here.

For more information please contact Robin Fry at VODA on 0191 643 2634 or e-mail robin.fry@voda.org.uk



Skills to Shine Summer School

The Trust is working closely with Skills to Shine: a local charity offering to plan, develop and deliver DfE funded Summer Schools geared towards easing the transition from Primary to Secondary School. The Skills to Shine Summer Schools are delivered from Secondary School sites and the programme is enterprise and career focussed, students are set a challenge to demonstrate how learning in school is relevant to the world work. Burnside Business and Enterprise Longbenton Community College and

College are two Trust schools who have already signed up to take part.

The two week Summer Schools are funded through DfE. To access the funding schools must complete an 'Opt In' form which is available on the DfE website here. The deadline to apply for the funding closes in May. Don't miss out, apply now!

More information on the Summer School itself can be found here.





Teachmeet 5

Over 100 Teachers from all over the region participated in a Teachmeet on 20 March 2013 hosted by Monkseaton Middle School. Teachmeet is arranged by teachers for teachers and involves practitioners presenting in short snappy 2 and 7 minute slots on what is working well in their classroom. The event provides participating teachers with valuable inter-school/cross phase

CPD and the Trust is keen to organise more events in the future through member schools. The event was sponsored by Newcastle University and NineCubed, a local graphic design company. Twitter members can follow <u>@TMMonkey</u> or search #TMMonkey for more information.

TeachMeet - teachers sharing ideas with teachers

Primary Maths Lead Teacher Update

The Trust is supporting the development of a training programme for 15 maths lead teachers in conjunction with the <u>National Centre of Excellence</u> for Teaching Mathematics (NCETM).

The programme will begin in the autumn term and will run until early summer. It also includes a two day residential. In between training sessions, lead teachers will carry out research and development tasks in school in collaboration with other teachers. For more information please click here.

This is a fantastic opportunity for the Trust to

develop our own cohort of NCETM trained Maths Lead teachers, who will have opportunities to work alongside the local authority to provide the very best support throughout our schools.

The cost for this training is £482 per maths lead; however the Trust is offering to pay half the course fees so that the cost to each school will be £241. There are just a few places left, if you know a Maths teacher just who would like to make the most of this opportunity please ask them to e-mail chloe.mortimer@ntlp.org.uk

Money Matters with NatWest & RBS

The Trust is working with NatWest to support Trust schools with the delivery of financial education.

MoneySense is a free resource that gives teachers the opportunity to take pupils on a financial journey from year 7 through to year 13, or enhance the lessons already in place. Once registered online, the MoneySense website gives teachers access to a variety of stimulating materials to keep students interested, a student progress tracking system, teachers notes and curriculum links.

In addition to the MoneySense resource, teachers of pupils aged seven to eleven can also access <u>Pocket Money</u>. This online financial education programme has been developed specifically for primary schools and has been designed to make it easy and fun for teachers to deliver engaging lessons on the important subject of money management.

Susan Jenkins, MoneySense & Community Engagement Coach for the North said "My role as the Regional Coach is to work with you and your colleagues to make sure that all pupils receive some financial education every year, working towards the changes in the national curriculum that are due to take place in Sept 2014."

If you would like to know more about the programme or the support available from NatWest and RBS, please contact Susan Jenkins on 07990 803989 or e-mail susan.jenkins@rbs.co.uk



The Trust is working in partnership with the Trust Teaching School, Whitley Bay High School, to sponsor Secondary School teachers with between 2 & 4 years experience to attend a residential conference designed to build leadership potential and develop the ability to deliver outstanding lessons. For information on the course content please click here.

The conference will take place on Friday 21st commencing at 5pm & Saturday 22nd June closing at 12.30pm at the Gosforth Marriott Hotel. The cost of the conference is £250 per delegate (twin room) or £300 per delegate

(single room). Two delegates from the same school sharing a twin room costs £400.

In order to support the programme and encourage participation the Trust is making available up to £150 to each Trust school to cover half the course fees for one delegate per school.

To book a place on the course please download the booking form by clicking <u>here</u> and send it to <u>dawn.harvey@ntlp.org.uk</u>. For more information please contact Dawn by calling 0191 200 8800.

STEM Enquiry Based Learning Course

The Trust is working with the <u>National Science</u> <u>Learning Centre</u> to create a bespoke one day course with the aim of liberating and empowering teachers to deliver enquiry based learning opportunities in science. This event will take

place at the NSLC in York on Wednesday 3rd July 2013. If your school is interested in a place please contact Chloe Mortimer at chloe.mortimer@ntlp.org.uk.



Trust Governors

The Trust would like to welcome our new Trust Governors:

Janine Danneker Forest Hall Primary School Kier

Christopher Dixon Benton Dene Primary Surveyor (R)

Christina Drury Southlands Special School ISOS Housing Ltd

Andrew Esson Monkseaton Middle School Quick Hydraulics

Daphne Kemp Beacon Hill School Northumbria Health Care Trust

Judith Williams Rockcliffe First School Education Consultant

A complete list of Trust Governors can be found on the Trust Governor page of the Trust website here. If you are interested in becoming a Trust Governor or would like to find out more about the role please contact our Partnership Coordinator Chloe Mortimer on chloe.mortimer@ntlp.org.uk.



Chloe Mortimer started work with the Trust on 4th March as our new Partnership Coordinator. Chloe was previously employed by Newcastle University as Team Leader of the <u>Graduate Ambassadors</u>. Chloe's role has been established to strengthen communications across the Trust, providing a first point of contact for member schools, employer partners and other key stakeholders. Chloe will play a key role in establishing and maintaining management information systems and administering programmes launched by the Trust. Chloe will also take over the formal role of Company Secretary.

Welcome to our new Employer Directors



David Hodgson Shasun Pharma



Ian Richardson
Capita Symonds

Welcome to our newest members of the NTLT Board, David Hodgson and Ian Richardson. Both David and Ian are representing Employer Partners and will be a great asset to the board. David currently works for Shasun Pharma Solutions as the Director of Health, Safety and Environment and Ian is the Partnership Director at Capita Symonds.

Thank You



A big thank you to Heather Bell, at Churchill Community College who has served as Company Secretary for the Trust since it was established in September 2010.

Heather's contribution to the Trust over the past two and a half years has been invaluable. Heather will continue her role as company secretary at North Tyneside Academy Foundation.

Contact Us

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- A news story, information item or announcement to share
- Comments on this edition of Trust
- Suggestions for improving future editions of Trust

Please e-mail our Partnership Coordinator Chloe Mortimer on chloe.mortimer@ntlp.org.uk