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Introduction

I am really conscious of the difficult preparations that you are all managing as we prepare for the industrial action planned for next month. We recognise the additional stress that this is placing on you all and are hugely appreciative of the sensitive way that you are dealing with a very complex situation. I hope the resources that we have provided are of use, but please do not hesitate to ask if you need any further help.

LSP Headteachers - Strike - All Documents (sharepoint.com)

On a more positive note, I am delighted to congratulate colleagues at St Andrew's Primary School on their excellent SIAMS feedback following their recent inspection.

Gary

Carbon reduction and the use of the new energy efficiency upgrades funding

Further to the information already published in the news bulletin, please find further clarification on the Trust's position and plans being developed.

The first priority for nearly all schools will be LED lighting and we are organising a centrally run programme to specify, cost, and install across the schools. This expense will be covered by the grant.

As mentioned in our conversations, a trust wide PV programme is also being arranged, and surveys from contractors are starting to be arranged already. These two programmes together will help drive down the electrical usage and costs on site.

After we've finalised the LED pricing, we'll likely review other technologies such as heating and controls, insulation, and metering on a school-by-school basis.

We understand that not all schools are in the same position based on age of the site and what measures you've already got in place. If you'd like to discuss plans specifically, and if you have priority actions you'd like to work on, please do get in touch, and we can look at the carbon action plans already in place against recommendations and the information from my visits last year. <u>Sfranklin@lsp.org.uk</u>

Pupil Premium Strategy

Thanks again to the PP leads who attended the Headteacher meeting last week. It was really encouraging to hear about some of the great work taking place in our schools. I hope that it inspired and prompted discussions regarding the PP strategy back in your schools.

To be compliant, PP strategies should have been reviewed and the new version uploaded to school websites by December 31st, 2022. Please check that this has been achieved.

Universal Provision Checklist

Universal Provision checklists are now with schools via SENDCOs. The audits (using the universal checklist tool) should be carried out by the school's SENDCO and another member of the leadership team. This could be a teaching and learning lead or a member of the senior team. Once completed, the school priorities for the development of Universal Provision should be mapped out for the next 1-3 years alongside a summary of the actions that will support them. Please could the checklist, audit, and audit and priorities proformas be shared with Debbie (LSP Inclusion Lead) by the end of Term 3. The Central team will use the audits and priorities to support them in planning next steps across the Trust.

The Universal Provision checklist and action planning is on the agenda for the SEND network on January 30th.



LSP Gateway

We have updated the LSP Gateway posters for new joiners and wellbeing with QR codes. Can you please share and print out copies and display them in your staff areas. You can download using the links below:

LSP Gateway poster for new joiners

LSP Gateway poster for wellbeing



Teachers' Pensions | Financial Wellbeing - Planning for Retirement

Teachers' Pensions offer free online presentations to help members understand more about their pension. They're split into bite sized topics to ensure they're relevant no matter what stage of the members career they are at. The following presentations are available for members to book in February and March.

February 2023

Planning for Retirement 15 February 2023 4pm Getting the most from your teacher's pension 22 February 2023 4pm

<u>March 2023</u>

Planning for Retirement 15 March 2023 4pm Getting the most from your teacher's pension 29 March 2023 4pm

Please share this with members of staff at your school.

Members can click <u>here</u> for further information and to book.

Avon Pensions | Financial Wellbeing - Planning for Retirement

The Avon Pension Fund are working with Affinity Connect in 2023, to offer Pre-Retirement Online Courses. The courses are designed to help scheme members plan for a positive retirement.

The following courses have been arranged for January, February and March 2023. However, courses are available throughout the year.

ONLINE COURSE DATE	ТІМЕ
09 January 2023	13:00-15:30
17 January 2023	13:00-15:30
06 February 2023	09:30-12:00
14 February 2023	16:00-18:30
08 March 2023	16:00-18:30
23 March 2023	13:00-15:30
17 April 2023	13:00-15:30
26 April 2023	09:30-12:00

Members can click **here** for further information and to book.

Membership Discount for Lighthouse Schools Partnership

The Geographical Association is offering all all schools under the Lighthouse Partnership a 30% discount on the yearly cost of membership.

This discount can be obtained through the website at checkout by using the discount code B08LSP30. If you have any queries please contact us by email at membership@geography.org.uk or call 0114 296 0088.

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The Geographical Association (GA) is the leading subject association for teachers of geography. As a registered charity our mission is to 'further geographical knowledge and understanding through education'. The Association is a lively community of professional practice with over a century of innovation behind it and an unrivalled understanding of geography teaching.

For more information about us visit: www.geography.org.uk



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