

UNITY TEACHING SCHOOL HUB

Values driven - High expectations of all - Relentless focus on learning

JULY 2023: SUMMER TERM UPDATE

As we reach the final week of the summer term, the Unity Teaching School Hub team share final updates ahead of the summer break and once again thank you for your support, engagement, and involvement in our programmes. We wish you and your colleagues a relaxing, refreshing, and recharging time over the summer holiday – and look forward to continuing to support you in the new academic year.



UPDATE: EARLY CAREER TEACHER PROGRAMME



EMPLOYING AN ECT FROM SEPTEMBER? **THREE THINGS TO DO ASAP:**

1. Complete [this quick form as soon as you can](#) - Jo Francis, ECT Programme Coordinator, will then keep you up to date ahead of the programme starting.
2. Register your Induction Tutor, ECTs and Mentors for the Ambition Institute ECT Programme we run on the DfE's [Manage training for early career teachers service](#)
3. Register your September 2023 ECTs with Unity TSH Appropriate Body [here](#) - all ECTs must be registered with an Appropriate Body before they begin their 2-year Statutory Induction Period

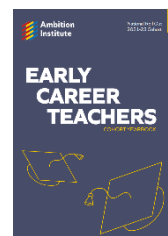
LEAD PROVIDER INSPECTION: AN OUTSTANDING JUDGEMENT

ECTs are exceptionally well supported by Ambition Institute. A culture of learning permeates at every level. Leaders are fully committed to ensuring that the programme prepares ECTs extremely well for the reality of teaching and enables them to meet the needs of all pupils. There is absolute clarity about the founding principle of the programme, that ECTs learn the core content and develop transferrable knowledge and skills. Everyone involved in the programme commits to 'keep getting better'.

The programme is meticulously planned with carefully considered design choices at all stages. ECTs have regular opportunities to revisit learning and deepen their understanding. This is highly successful and enables ECTs to successfully build and apply their knowledge over time.

Earlier this term we were proud to have contributed to the Ofsted inspection of the Ambition Institute ECT Programme. The [report has now been published](#) and sees the programme rated as outstanding.

Ambition Institute have created a celebratory [Yearbook](#), documenting the 2021/23 cohort's achievements, which includes a message from Andy Samways, Director of Unity TSH. Do share this with ECTs who are completing their two-year entitlement at the end of this term together with our huge congratulations on all they have achieved during the ECT Programme; we wish every one of them a wonderful, fulfilling career.



SUBSCRIBE HERE FOR A FREE, WEEKLY RESOURCE: EVIDENCE SNACKS FROM PEPS MCCREA

A weekly 5-minute read email for evidence hungry teachers, delivered every Thursday morning. Each contains an easily digestible 'big idea and a handful of little updates' to help keep up to speed with the latest thinking and research around effective teaching.



UNITY TEACHING SCHOOL HUB ECF TRAINING EVENTS IN 23/24

NEW 2023/25 ECTs – starting in September 2023

ECT Conference One - 26th or 27th September 2023 (full-day event at Adastral Park, Martlesham, Ipswich)

ECT Clinic One - twilight session during week commencing 20th November 2023 via Zoom

ECT Conference Two - 23rd or 24th January 2024 (full-day event at Adastral Park, Martlesham, Ipswich)

ECT Clinic Two - twilight session during week commencing 4th March 2024 via Zoom

ECT Clinic Three - twilight session during week commencing 29th April 2024 via Zoom

NEW MENTORS – starting their role in September 2023

We plan to run twilight introductory briefings for Mentors and Induction Tutors during the week commencing 18th September 2023 and will be in touch with further information about these at the start of Autumn 2, once DfE registrations are completed.

Induction Conference One - 17th or 18th October 2023 (full-day event at Adastral Park, Martlesham, Ipswich)
- Induction Tutors will also be invited to attend this event.

Mentor Clinic One - twilight session during week commencing 5th February 2024 via Zoom

Mentor Conference Two - 2nd or 3rd July 2024 (full-day event at Adastral Park, Martlesham, Ipswich)

2022/24 ECTs – who started in 2022/23

ECT Conference Three - 9th or 10th October 2023 (full-day event at Adastral Park, Martlesham, Ipswich)

ECT Clinic Four - twilight session during week commencing 4th December 2023 via Zoom

ECT Clinic Five - twilight session during week commencing 11th March 2024 via Zoom

ECT Clinic Six - twilight session during week commencing 17th June 2024 via Zoom

CONTINUING 2022/24 MENTORS – who started mentoring an ECT in 2022/23

Mentor Clinic Three - twilight session during week commencing 13th November 2023 via Zoom

Unity Teaching School Hub is proud to partner with BT in hosting our ECT and mentor conferences at their Adastral Park venue, and very appreciative of their support, expertise and generosity.

UPDATE: UNITY TSH APPROPRIATE BODY



Register your September 2023 ECTs with Unity TSH Appropriate Body [here](#) - all ECTs must be registered with an Appropriate Body before they begin their 2-year Statutory Induction Period.



Celia Moore, our experienced AB Lead, supports schools using our service and will continue to guide those registering new ECTs for 23/24. We continue to work closely with schools across our area who have year 1 ECTs registered with Suffolk LA AB in order to support their transition from LA to TSH provision by September '23. Find out more about our AB service via our [website](#).

APPLY NOW FOR OUR NPQs STARTING IN AUTUMN 2023

Register with the DfE [here](#) – this then triggers the simple application form to be sent to you by our lead provider, The Teacher Development Trust. Information you will need to have to hand includes:

- Teacher Reference Number (TRN)
- School Unique Reference Number (URN)
- Lead Provider which would be 'Teacher Development Trust'
- Delivery Partner which would be 'Unity Teaching School Hub'



FULLY FUNDED NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (NPQS) NEAR YOU!

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TEACHER DEVELOPMENT TRUST

"Rewarding. Challenging. Thought-provoking"

APPLY NOW FOR AUTUMN 2023!

[Our website](#) provides guidance on which NPQ is right for you and signposts to course content for all NPQs.

As it stands, **23/24 is the final year of guaranteed funding for all NPQs so don't miss out!** For 23/24 the DfE have also introduced new [targeted support payments](#) schools can benefit from (£200 per participant for primary schools over 150 pupils/£800 per participant for those with less than 150 pupils; £200 per participant at secondary schools with less than 600 pupils).

THE FULLY FUNDED NPQ SUITE AVAILABLE THROUGH UNITY TEACHING SCHOOL HUB



SPECIALIST NPQS (12 MONTH PROGRAMME) - BROADEN YOUR CLASSROOM EXPERTISE

- [Leading teacher development](#) - learn how to support teachers in your school to expand their skills
- [Leading teaching](#) - learn how to lead the teaching and learning of a subject, year group or phase
- [Leading behaviour and culture](#) - learn how to create a culture of good behaviour and high expectations in which staff and pupils can thrive
- [Leading literacy](#) - learn how to effectively teach and promote literacy across the whole school, year group, key stage or phase
- [Leading Primary Mathematics](#) (register from October 2023) - learn how to lead the teaching and learning of mathematics in primary school

LEADERSHIP NPQS (18 MONTH PROGRAMME) - BOOST YOUR LEADERSHIP KNOWLEDGE AND CONFIDENCE

- [Senior leadership](#) - develop your leadership knowledge and expertise to improve outcomes for teachers and pupils in your school
- [Headship](#) - develop the knowledge that underpins expert school leadership and apply it to become an outstanding headteacher
- [Executive leadership](#) - develop the expertise you need to become an outstanding executive leader, leading change and improvement across your group of schools or multi-academy trust
- [Early years leadership](#) - develop expertise in leading high-quality early years education and care, as well as effective staff and organisational management

Autumn 2023 start programmes: NPQH, NPQSL, NPQLTD, NPQLL

Spring 2024 start programmes: NPQEYL, NPQSL, NPQLT, NPQLBC, NPQLPM* (*subject to DfE confirmation)

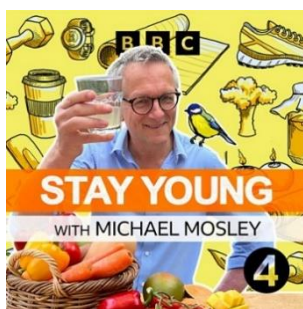
Should you have any questions about applying for a fully funded NPQ with Unity Teaching School Hub please do not hesitate to contact Helen Main (hmain@unitysp.co.uk)

The [initial teacher training providers within our area](#) continue to do great work securing trainees to enter the profession. It has been a challenging year for recruitment and placements in schools are a vital element within successful initial teacher training. If your school is able to consider providing placements in the future, please contact Helen Main (hmain@unitysp.co.uk) who will be very pleased to link you to providers.



... AND FINALLY, TWO THINGS FOR YOU (AND TO SHARE 😊)

#1



In his new **'Stay Young' series** Michael Mosley reveals simple things you can do to rejuvenate yourself from the inside out, including:

- Keeping fit
- Staying sharp
- Feeling good
- Staying strong

#2

Check out the **Action for Happiness calendar** to inspire your last couple of weeks of 'Jump Back Up July' and then see what the new August calendar can bring to your daily life.

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
22 Find 3 things you feel hopeful about and write them down	23 Remember that all feelings and situations pass in time	24 Choose to see something good about what has gone wrong	25 Notice when you are feeling judgmental and be kind instead	26 Catch yourself over-reacting and take a deep breath	27 Write down 3 things you're grateful for (even if today was hard)	28 Think about what you can learn from a recent problem
29 Be a realistic optimist. Focus on what could go right	30 Reach out to a friend, family member or colleague for support	31 Remember we all struggle at times - it's part of being human				

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS **Happier · Kinder · Together**

Wishing you and your colleagues a thoroughly refreshing and relaxing break once the end of term arrives, with plenty of time to spend time with family and friends ... and maybe even an adventure or two! Take care.