



**Welcome to our third NQT Bulletin. We hope that you will find the information and advice in this bulletin useful.**

Many of you will have now passed the mid-point of your NQT year—well done & keep going! It's always great to hear from you so do keep the updates coming into the NQT inbox.

#### What Next?

Many of you will now be looking beyond your NQT year and considering further aspirations in your teaching career. Some of you may be moving on and seeking new teaching positions from September. Remember that the support does not stop here. If you are applying for a new job or simply wanting some advice on next steps, please do contact us.

#### In the News

Some of you may have heard of the Department for Education's plans to make amendments to the NQT year in order to strengthen QTS. In January the Early Career Framework (ECF) and the recruitment and retention strategy were published. From Autumn 2021, early career teachers undergoing induction will receive 2 years of professional development and support underpinned by the ECF. The ECF links to the Teachers' Standards and identifies what NQTs should learn in their early career. Although the impact of the ECF will only be felt in schools from September 2021, therefore not affecting you directly, we feel it is important to keep you updated. The recruitment and retention strategy addresses, amongst other areas, reducing teacher workload and support for early career

teachers. Links to the ECF and the strategy can be found below

[Early Careers Framework](#)

[Recruitment and Retention Strategy](#)

#### Would you like to share your NQT experience?

We are looking for NQTs to come back into YSJ to share their words of wisdom about their NQT year—you may remember having similar input last year. If you work relatively close to York and feel that you would like to share your experiences and some hints and tips, please contact me via the NQT inbox. The dates are below:

**Tuesday 7th May 4-5.30pm**—to speak to the 3rd year UG Primary Education cohort.

**Friday 28th June (morning)** - to speak to the PGCE cohort.

*Please note: we are not able to pay any supply costs but would reimburse travel expenses.*

## Useful Resources

#### Common Issues for NQTs

On her website, Sue Cowley offers some **practical strategies for dealing with the most common issues** teachers face in their classroom, including low level disruption, pace of lessons, and motivating writing.

[Sue Cowley website](#)

#### Lesson Observations

If you are currently preparing for your next **lesson observation**, the link below may be useful:

['The NQT's Survival Guide to Lesson Observations'](#)

#### Early Years Mathematics Resources

The National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM) have produced some new materials for teaching Mathematics in the Early Years. There is a useful podcast from Dr Sue Gliford & a link to the 6 'key areas of early mathemat-

ics learning. The 'clickable' links will also take you to some 'Downloads' which give access to 'Progression Charts' for each concept'.

[NCETM website](#)

#### NCETM Updates

Each month the NCETM publishes a newsletter detailing updates & new resources. February's newsletter includes new materials for teaching multiplication & division. The newsletter can be found [here](#).

#### NQT webinar

Our next webinar will be on **Tuesday 5th March at 6pm** with a focus on differentiation, in particular SEND and EAL. We hope that you will be able to join us. I will send out further information and the webinar link closer to the time. In the meantime, please consider any questions you may like to ask the panel.

Recordings of our webinars can be seen on the NQT website under the 'Support' tab.

**On the next page you will find some information about mentor development that may be of interest to yourself in terms of your future development or for colleagues in your school. Please feel free to print the information and display in your staff room.**



# School of Education



## **Mentor Development Programme** **at York St John University**

The School of Education is launching a brand new three day Mentor Development Programme starting in July. This will replace the current programme of mentor training for secondary and primary partners. The programme will focus on yourself as a mentor, the key skills and qualities needed for effective relationship-building and the importance of self-reflection and leadership. It is aimed at anyone involved in mentoring and coaching in schools, including those who are new to it as well as senior leaders and NQT mentors. There will be keynote speakers and workshops covering a range of topics.

Places will be limited and it is expected that you will attend the full three days, one in July, one in December 2019/ January 2020 and one in the summer term 2020.

If you are interested, please contact Jenny Carpenter for more information: [j.carpenter@yorksja.ac.uk](mailto:j.carpenter@yorksja.ac.uk)

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### Further NQT Information

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