

JURASSIC COAST

Teaching Schools' Alliance

UPDATE 1



Welcome back to the new term. I am now in post as JCTSA manager and looking forward to working with all the schools that form the alliance over this year. I am also pleased to report that the NCTL have confirmed that the alliance has been redesignated as a Teaching School, which is great news. In order for us to work together successfully this year I would like to arrange to visit your school during the next few weeks to discuss how we can continue to develop and support CPD at all levels, share expertise and R&D work, promote the recruitment of school direct placements, and work with you to support school improvement.

Along with maintaining the fantastic working relationships that have become established and continue to develop new ones. A number of schools have already arranged visits which is great and I am looking forward to meeting with all schools in order to establish what you can offer the alliance and how you would like the alliance to work for you.

Please email me sparsons@jctsa.org.uk to arrange a visit.

Steering group meetings dates:

Please note the following dates for the 2015/16 Steering Group Meetings. They will all be held at The Woodroffe School between 1-3pm.

Tuesday 29 September

Friday 06 November

Tuesday 12 January

Friday 26 February

Tuesday 19 April

Friday 27 May

Tuesday 05 July

School Direct 2016/17 Application Round

Subjects and Home School Locations:

Chemistry	Honiton and King's
Computer Science	Clyst Vale and Woodroffe
English	Budmouth, Honiton, South Dartmoor, Colfox and King's
Geography	Colfox and Woodroffe
Maths	Budmouth, Honiton, Holyrood, South Dartmoor and King's
MFL	Colfox
Music	Woodroffe
Physics	Holyrood and Woodroffe School
Primary General	Acorn MAT
Primary General with Maths	CAFOS

Promotional materials will be distributed to these schools to help with recruitment at the next SGM.

Last Year's School Direct Trainees

We are delighted to report that apart from one trainee, who unfortunately had to exit from the programme due to personal reasons, all trainees have secured employment. Millie Townsend (English) and Emily Stoneman (Primary General) will continue in their Home Schools as employed NQTs, whilst Michael Thompson (Primary General),

Trio Working Groups

The work of trios within the alliance continues to provide colleagues with fantastic opportunities for developing pedagogy. Last academic year the trio working group research included the following areas

- How effective is using a real life context to deepen children's learning and thinking across ability range?
- What does deep learning and mastery of learning look like?
- How do we motivate learners to apply independently what they have learnt?
- Growth mindset – Impact and Future
- Approaches to using directed individual response time
- Using student feedback in teacher planning

The professional development offered by the trio work continues each year to be showcased at the presentation evening. The positive feedback from both those involved in the work and the schools involved reinforces the impact that the trio work can have.

This year we are looking to set up geographically located trios, as well as primary, secondary and cross phase trios. If you have a colleague within your school who would benefit from the experience and professional development of working within a trio please email their name to sparsons@jctsa.org.uk Deadline for names is: 30 September.

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Clyst Vale Community College
Colyton Grammar School
Holyrood Academy
Honiton Community College
Littletown Academy
Payhembury Primary School
Purbeck School
Sidmouth College
Sir John Colfox School
South Dartmoor Comm. College
St Mary's CE Primary School
St Michael's Primary School
The King's School
The University of Exeter
The Woodroffe School (Lead School)

Satellite

North Dorset Heads: Shaftsbury School
Sturminster Newton School
Gillingham School
Gryphon School



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