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English & maths networks in the South East – Update

We are delighted to report that the first round of English & Maths Network events in the South East were a terrific success. Staff from a wide range of organisations met to discuss current issues affecting the delivery of English and maths and of those who fed back, 100% claimed that the events were useful to them.

We have agreed the following dates for our next Network events and hope to see you there! (Once again, we will meet in two locations to allow maximum access for participants; the agenda will be identical so feel free to come to the one that best suits.)

March 7th 2019 at Catch -22, Maidstone
March 28th 2019 at Bracknell and Wokingham College

Please save the date on which you wish to attend and we will let you know in the New Year when the booking system is open.



Free places on ETF courses

The ETF are offering up to 4 free places on each of our open courses for people who meet one of the following criteria:

- People working in organisations within the 12 opportunity areas (which are Blackpool, Bradford, Derby, Doncaster, Fenland and East Cambridgeshire, **Hastings**, Ipswich, Norwich, Oldham, Scarborough, Stoke, West Somerset.)
- People working in organisations with an annual turnover of less than £500,000
- Disabled people and people from BAME communities – both of whom are under represented on our courses.

Free places are allocated on a first-come-first-served-basis and can be secured through the ETF booking system. Please feel free to contact Judy or Claire if you would like to discuss the options open to you and your organisation.

NEW: Teaching Functional Skills Level 5 CPD Module in English

Ideal for those with strong subject knowledge but who want to develop their knowledge of Functional Skills and practice further

English: London – Tuesday, January 29; Monday, February 11; Tuesday, March 12; Wednesday, March 21; Tuesday, March 26.

To book a place or for more details [click here](#)

If you are interested in hosting a Level 5 maths and/or English then Judy or Claire would love to hear from you. (You would need 8-10 of your own delegates and we would then advertise to find external delegates).

Using coaching strategies to support maths and English

Coaching is a process which aims to unlock a person's potential to maximise their own performance by helping them to learn rather than teaching them." (Whitmore, 2003). This course focuses on how teachers can develop and incorporate coaching approaches into their repertoire of skills, and use these to help maths & English learners become more independent, resilient and resourceful. It will encourage teachers to think differently about their practice and the learning culture in their classroom.

Currently on offer in London – Feb 8th 2019

Click [here](#) to book your place!

Functional Skills webinars - only £25 Discover new materials and approaches to support teaching and learning - maths and English.

12.00-13.30 on Dec 10th. Book [here](#).

Professional Exchange Network Meetings in the Thames Valley

New, free CPD sessions for FE teachers published

Take control of your own professional development with developtogether.tv – the new network for post-16 teachers from the Education and Training Foundation. They have just announced a new series



of [12, free CPD events](#) across Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire. Each event will give you the opportunity to share great ideas with colleagues, explore resources and practise new teaching approaches.

You decide the focus. Work on what matters to you. Within eight overarching themes, you decide what you'd like to improve.

You decide the method. Engage in the way that suits you best. There are a range of face-to-face events at times to suit busy teachers, as well as tools for online collaboration and sharing.

You decide the outcome. No silver bullets and no dogma – you decide the teaching approaches you want to use that you think will make a difference.

However, you choose to develop your teaching, you'll be supported every step of the way by likeminded peers and their expert facilitators.

See the full list of CPD events below. There's no limit on how many you can sign up to.

- **Improving value added:** 30th November, 2:00-3:00pm, Milton Keynes College
- **Developing tutorials:** 30th November, 3:15-4:15pm, Milton Keynes College
- **Improving maths:** 5th December, 3:30-5:00pm, Reading College
- **Managing behaviour:** 5th December, 3:30-5:00pm, Banbury and Bicester College
- **Developing feedback:** 5th December, 3:30-5:00pm, City of Oxford College
- **Improving English:** 5th December, 3:30-5:00pm, City of Oxford College
- **Stretch and Challenge:** 5th December, 3:30-5pm, City of Oxford College
- **Exploring digital:** 5th December, 3:30-5:00pm, Reading College
- **Managing behaviour:** 7th December, time TBC, Bucks College Group
- **Developing quality:** 11th December, 12:00-1:00pm, City of Oxford College
- **Embedding soft skills:** TBC, EMBS Oxford

[Register your interest today](#) to access free CPD on the topics that matter to you.

NEW: A range of webinars on offer - only £25 and free places available

This new provision is designed to offer introductory information on each of the topics in a way that allows timely access and minimum inconvenience. It will allow participants to assess the extent to which they would benefit from the full one day or two day course in that area. Most are offered on more than one occasion this term but following the booking link allows you to choose which event you would like to attend.

NB: courses have a cut off date for registration – please check this out on the link and be sure to book in time!

- **Assessment & tracking in maths & English** – click [here](#) to book
12 – 13.30 on Dec 5th
- **Active & engaging approaches to maths** – click [here](#) to book
11 – 12.30 on Dec 18th
- **Functional Skills: discover new materials and approaches to support teaching and learning - maths and English** –
12.00 – 13.30 on Dec 10th
- **Developing personal skills and knowledge to support learners effectively (Maths)**
A series of 6 webinars for £119 starting **15th January 2019** BUT you need to book [here](#) this term!



- Developing personal skills and knowledge to support learners effectively (English) – a series of 6 for £119 starting **16th January 2019** BUT you need to book [here](#) this term!
- Digital approaches for GCSE maths – click [here](#) to book
11 – 12.20 on Dec 7th
- Supporting learners with SEND in Maths – click [here](#) to book
16.00 – 17.00 on Jan 31st 2019
- Digital approaches for maths & English study skills and assessment – click [here](#) to book
12 – 13.30 on Dec 13th
- English & maths resilience – click [here](#) to book
Dec 18th
- Using ETF resources and support to develop your English & maths delivery – no courses are currently arranged but you can click [here](#) to register your interest
- Using Multimedia with maths & English learners – click [here](#) to book
12 – 13.30 on Dec 20th
- Maximising the effectiveness of support staff - click [here](#) to book
16.00 – 17.00 on Jan 25th
16.00 – 17.00 on March 8th

Maths & English in Apprenticeships: A series of interactive webinars

Who is this course for?

The seven interactive webinars are suitable for teachers, trainers, assessors, mentors and coaches with responsibilities for facilitating apprentices' maths and English development. Additionally, some webinars will be useful for curriculum managers responsible for vocational areas and for embedding maths and English. Each webinar lasts 90 minutes, including a short break and costs **£25**. Webinars are designed so you can participate in a single webinar or combine as part of a series

Bookings are now open for the courses below:

Webinar	Date	Time	Booking Link
1. Partnering with/within employers to support maths & English	14 th Jan	13.00 -14.30	283
2. Supporting vulnerable learners with maths & English	23 rd Jan	11.00-12.30	284
3. Developing & supporting learners' maths & English	1st Feb	12.00 -13.30	296
4. Digital approaches for maths & English	5 th Feb	12.00 – 13.30	297
5. Designing a supportive curriculum	30 th Nov 14 th Feb	13.00 -14.30 13.00 -14.30	285
6. Spotlight on maths & English CPD and resources to support apprenticeship delivery and gateway	5 th Dec 28 th Feb	10.00 – 11.30	287
7. Improving Assessment for Learning (maths & English)	14 th Dec 8 th March	12.00 – 13.30 10.00 – 11.30	286
8. Mentoring Apprentices in the workplace with an emphasis on English & maths	Dec 17 th March 12 th	13.00 – 14.30 09.30 – 11.00	here



Continuation programmes

All programmes advertised in previous newsletters continue to be available but with no specific dates booked as yet. If you need any details of any of them then please feel free to contact Claire or Judy.

Specifically, they include the programme of Functional Skills Support:

1. Supporting Functional Skills (English or maths options)
2. Supporting Functional Skills: a two-day customised course
3. GCSE re-sits: develop your practice (L5) modules

More detail on all courses mentioned in this newsletter can be found at:
www.et-foundation.co.uk/courses

New SEND exhibition site

We are delighted to announce the launch of the refreshed and streamlined [SEND exhibition site](#). The site has a new format and resources are grouped under new headings.

You can also book on our dates for next year including a specific course for [SEND Managers](#) and courses focused on individual impairments such as [dyslexia](#), [autism](#) and [hearing impairments](#). Make sure to [book today](#) to avoid missing out.

Outstanding Teaching Learning & Assessment Project: applications now open for project team participant

This project is funded by ETF and delivered by Achievement for All. It will support 10 project teams, whose organisations are offering vocational and technical qualifications and support for learners retaking maths and English (or taking them for the first time as adults).

The project welcomes a mix of post-16 and adult providers particularly smaller training and education providers who may wish to build capacity and network with other provider colleagues. Applications for 'Project Lead' from smaller providers are also welcomed.

The collaborative projects will seek to find creative solutions, by way of action research, to problems around progress that are impacting on learner outcomes across the sector.

Further details can be found [here](#).

City and Guilds free monthly webinar updates on preparing for the new Functional Skills

3.30 to 4.30 on the following days:

Jan 9th, Feb 6th, Mar 6th, Apr 3rd, May 1st, Jun 5th and July 3rd 2019

Click [here](#) to register.



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