

HEADLINES!

**PRAGUE PLACEMENT
FOR FOUR ITT
TRAINEES DUE TO
GO AHEAD IN MAY**

**FINAL SUBMISSION
DATE FOR SPRING
TERM REVIEWS
23RD MARCH**

**NPQ FIRST FACE TO
FACE CONFERENCES
22ND APRIL**

**HEAD TEACHER
BREAKFAST BRIEFING
PROF SAM TWISELTON,
21ST APRIL, 7:30 AM**

[LINK TO FLYER](#)

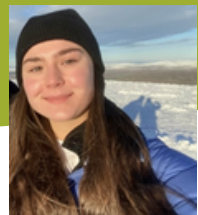
GOOD MORNING EVERYONE

Welcome to the latest One Cumbria update. The headlines are to the left, read on for more info and for links to the various meetings and events coming up.

One Cumbria is supporting the University of Cumbria to send four ITTs to the English College in Prague at the end of May for a three week enrichment placement. After a robust selection process, the four successful trainee teachers are Emily, Lucinda, Georgie and Luke. What they had to say about the upcoming visit below...

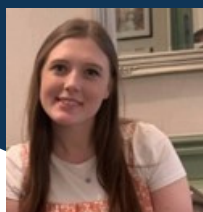
I'm very grateful and excited for this opportunity, and cannot wait for the new experiences I will undergo as an educator and a historian in Prague

- Emily Verden



This placement means a lot to me, as it is an exciting opportunity to gain teaching experience in a brand-new environment

- Georgie Kett



This placement will be a fantastic opportunity to gain a wider understanding of teaching and education in an international context. I am also excited to learn more about the International Baccalaureate which will be a great addition to the knowledge I have gained so far during the PGCE

- Lucinda Burke McKenna

I am delighted to have been offered the opportunity to experience teaching at the ECP and contributing the best pedagogical practices I have acquired so far from educational specialists at the University of Cumbria and through my own teaching experiences in England and India. Whilst I am continuing to learn and develop my own teaching practice, I am looking forward to implementing subject-specific teaching strategies in RE and applying them to other baccalaureate subjects offered by the ECP. I am excited to learn from the excellent educational facilitation at ECP, and hope to successfully contribute and experience teaching and learning in equal measure, for my own professional development, as well as for the diversity of teaching and learning for pupils at ECP. Thanks to One Cumbria, the UoC and ECP for this wonderful opportunity!

- Luke Eidsford



We are of course keeping a careful eye on the difficult situation in Eastern Europe, but very much hoping this exchange can go ahead and become an annual opportunity. The trainees will report back later in the summer on their experiences

ECF and the Early Years

An interesting article around metacognition and the Early Years:

**[LINK TO
ARTICLE](#)**

One Cumbria Appropriate Body

A reminder that the final submission date for Spring term progress reviews/ NQT assessments is Wednesday 23rd March 2022. An email with the relevant form attached was sent on 11th March 2022 to all schools with a registered ECT, from ab@onecumbria.education. Please look out for this and check your junk inbox as the emails sometimes land there!

ECT Midpoint survey

Thank you to the ECTs who completed the Teach First Survey in January. Teach First have now shared the responses with us. We were delighted with the results, which were overwhelmingly positive, including an 86% overall satisfaction rate. Other positives included the fantastic support ECTs are receiving from mentors, and the job satisfaction reported by ECTs themselves.

Of course there are still areas for us to work on and we are already working with Teach First on streamlining the amount of course content, and some of the current repetition involved which Teach First are keen to address. Online seminars will aim to quickly identify the key takeaways and give more time for discussion and networking – something ECTs identified as having missed because of the online delivery this year. You will be pleased to hear that Year 2 seminars will be delivered in person – details are currently being worked out and we'll let you know our plans as soon as we can.

We will work with Teach First to ensure that the ECF does not add to teachers' workloads, but supports with classroom practice, as is intended.

Please do get in touch with any comments or questions you have about the ECF and Year 2. We will also have a Headteacher Breakfast Briefing with TSHC member Richard Gill looking forward to Year 2 in the summer term.

Professor Sam Twiselton will be our speaker at the next Headteacher Breakfast Briefing on 21st April, 7:30. A link to the meeting is below – please do join us to hear the latest updates around all things ITT as the results of the accreditation to become providers are due in May.

[LINK TO CHAT](#)



NPQs

The November cohort of NPQ programme members are looking forward to their first conference on 22 April. We are using two venues for this event but will be all together for our future conferences at the North Lakes Hotel in Penrith to make the most of the opportunity to network. We are really looking forward to having our programme members and facilitators together at last. Preparations are under way to provide opportunities to extend our learning from the online modules and virtual seminars through deliberate practise, case study scenarios and collaboration.

We are inviting expressions of interest in the next NPQ which are due to start in November 2022. If you are interested in any of the reformed NPQs , including the two new ones - a specialist NPQ in Leading Literacy and a leadership NPQ in Early Years, then please get in touch with Alison Wilkinson on wilkinsona@onecumbria.education and she will make sure you are the first to hear when the next recruitment round is open.

We are also appealing for facilitators for our programmes to join our fabulous One Cumbria team. We need them for all programmes as more cohorts come on stream, but we would especially like to meet anyone interested in facilitating on the new programmes. Leading Literacy and Early Years. Recruitment packs will be coming out shortly, but do get in touch with Alison if you are interested in getting involved.

The next One Cumbria update will come out on 25th April, although we will still be in touch with facilitator recruitment information and a reminder of the Headteacher Briefing on 21st April. As always, please do get in touch if you have any questions or comments.

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