

Free Professional Development Opportunities

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Curriculum Design, Pedagogy and Cognitive Science

Mary Myatt is an education adviser, writer and speaker. She works in schools talking to pupils, teachers and leaders about learning, leadership and the curriculum. A number of her courses and training materials can be accessed via the 'Courses' section of her website. <https://marymyattlab.com/all-courses/>

Teacher Development Trust are offering a range of webinar courses available throughout the year covering formative assessment, inclusive leadership, curriculum and staff development, cognitive science. Lead speakers to include Dylan Wiliam and Daniel Willingham <https://tdtrust.org/?s=connect+up>

ResearchEd Every weekday of the Summer term (from 20th April onwards) there are a large range of internationally renowned writers and academics providing free presentations. Follow them on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/researchEdhome> Full list of presentations here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Wxr_uWg1L-uLpjaUqQNVPhJLcwj6HJMmH7JkztvrwIU/edit#gid=0

Tom Sherrington's Rosenshine Masterclass. Tom Sherrington provides a series of new videos and booklets to support the application of Barak Rosenshine's 'Principles of Instruction' <https://teacherhead.com/2020/03/16/rosenshine-masterclass-captured-free-cpd/>

National College of Teaching - Using Technology in Evidence-Based Teaching and Learning (Primary/Secondary)

Explore effective research-informed ways of using technology to support teaching and learning in the classroom.

The course covers:

- How technology can be used as a tool to support learning and how to evaluate its impact
- What research evidence suggests about effective presentation of new concepts, meaningful pupil collaboration and how technology can be a useful tool to support both
- How pupils' long-term retention of content can be supported through approaches such as retrieval practice, elaboration, spacing and interleaving of learning and how technology might support these practices

How technology can be used to support evidence-informed feedback practices and when you might choose to implement it

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/technology-teaching-learning>

Future Learn has a range of courses available (many are free) of interest to teachers. See <https://www.futurelearn.com/> (For example the University of Reading has a free course Supporting Successful Learning in Secondary School <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/supporting-learning-secondary/1>

Seneca - Cognitive Science for Teachers (Primary/Secondary)

Seneca has a range of CPD opportunities for teacher. Full list is

at <https://www.senecalearning.com/blog/free-cpd-courses-for-teachers/>

Of particular interest may be 'Cognitive Science for Teachers – Seneca Certified Educator (Parts 1 and 2)'. This covers the research basis of the latest Ofsted framework and enables teachers to understand how the objective of 'knowing more and remembering more' fits in with day to day practice, curriculum design and learning theory.

www.app.senecalearning.com.

SEND

University of Derby. 'Understanding Autism, Asperger's and ADHD'. This free short online course will encourage you to challenge your own definitions and perceptions of autism and ADHD. You will get an opportunity to examine several key themes around both autism and ADHD in order to obtain skills to help people with these conditions (TAs, Teachers, NQTs) <https://www.derby.ac.uk/short-courses-cpd/online/free-courses/understanding-autism-aspergers-and-adhd/>

Dyslexia Scotland are offering the first of 3 free modules (2 to be released in June) called 'Introduction to Dyslexia and Inclusive Practice'. It was developed in response to Recommendations 1 and 2 of the 2014 Education Scotland Review Making Sense of Dyslexia. (TAs, Teachers, NQTs) <https://www.dyslexiascotland.org.uk/news/free-open-university-module-1-now-live>

Creative Education run a range of courses including this one: 'Meet the Mental Health needs of pupils with SEND'. <https://elearning.creativeeducation.co.uk/courses/meeting-the-mental-health-needs-of-pupils-with-send/>

Teaching Assistants

Babcock have a range of free online training opportunities available specifically for Teaching Assistants.

<https://t.co/KDCxKUB685?amp=1>

Online Course Providers (These providers cover a range of curriculum subjects. Many are free and offer certification.)

University of Chester are offering 6 weeks of online training via Microsoft Teams. Covers a range of subjects. Webinars available via playback. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/faculty-of-education-and-childrens-services-30067575962>

Creative Education have a wide catalogue of courses covering a range of subjects, including courses for governors. <https://elearning.creativeeducation.co.uk/available-courses/>

The PTI have made all their Summer courses free for all teachers. Cover a range of subjects.

<https://www.ptieducation.org/>

Open University have a wide variety of online courses that can be freely accessed. Cover a wide range of subjects. See 'Education and Development' at the full catalogue of free courses here <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/free-courses/full-catalogue>

Alison is one of the world's largest free learning platforms for education and skills training. Over 20 courses which include, Growth mindset and Working with SEN students, https://alison.com/courses/education#google_vignette

European Schoolnet Academy offer a range of courses and downloadable course <https://www.europeanschoolnetacademy.eu/>

English

Jane Considine's (The Write Stuff) YouTube channel has a number of videos to support the teaching of English (Primary) <https://www.youtube.com/c/thetrainingspace>

Mathematics

Open University 'Using visualisation in mathematics' course <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/education-development/using-visualisation-maths-teaching/content-section-3>

NCTEM have a range of training resources designed to help teachers plan series of lessons, collaborate with colleagues (face to face or online), and develop teaching approaches which ensure pupils really embed mathematical understanding..

Primary materials are here <https://www.ncetm.org.uk/resources/50639>

Secondary materials are here <https://www.ncetm.org.uk/resources/53449>

Geography and Environmental Education

Leicester City Council are hosting 1 hour webinars on Wednesdays at 10am on a range of subjects relating to environmental education. More details

at <https://schools.leicester.gov.uk/media/6207/ecoteach-webinars-leicester.pdf>

RE

AULRE and **Culham St Gabriel's Trust** are hosting the following event: A Religion and Worldviews Research Seminar: Teachers' engagement in and with research (Primary/Secondary)

Date and Time: Thursday 14th May 2-4pm

Registration: The event is free. Please register through Eventbrite [here](#). Once you have registered you will be sent the joining details for the virtual seminar a few days before the event. Presentations will also be sent to participants before/after the event.

Registration closes on 11th May.

<http://aulre.org/2020/04/15/aulre-and-culham-st-gabriels-virtual-research-event/>

STEM

The **Royal Society of Chemistry** have made all their teachers' CPD courses free for the remainder of the Academic Year. <https://edu.rsc.org/teacher-pd>

Online courses from **STEM Learning** allow you to learn wherever and whenever alongside your teaching. You'll be supported by experienced educators to use our online courses to meet your development needs and help you maximise your students' learning. You'll access real classroom footage, discuss lessons with colleagues from around the world, and learn from leading experts in their respective fields. (primary/secondary)

<https://www.stem.org.uk/online-cpd>

The **European Schoolnet Academy** course “Innovative Practices for Engaging STEM teaching” aims to provide teachers, school counsellors and career advisors with resources and ideas to increase students’ interest for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subjects and careers. The course is designed in response to the worrying disengagement of young people from STEM subjects in school, and their decreasing interest in related careers.

<https://www.europeanschoolnetacademy.eu/courses/course-v1:inGenious+Innovative+STEM+2014/about>

Microsoft are running a ‘Girls in STEM – Closing the STEM gap’.

See <https://education.microsoft.com/en-us/course/c3c376f8/overview>

Computing and E-Learning

The **European Schoolnet Academy** course ‘How to Teach Computing: An Introduction to Concepts, Tools and Resources for Secondary Teachers’ provides a range of practical suggestions for secondary colleagues to develop their practice. It might be of interest to upper KS2 teachers

also. <https://www.europeanschoolnetacademy.eu/courses/course-v1:DigitalSkills+Secondary+CScourse+2014/about>

Google have a range of online courses available to support the use of ‘Google Classroom.

<https://teachercenter.withgoogle.com/>

Relationships and Sex Education

Brook provides innovative clinical services, education and wellbeing programmes and professionals training. They have a variety of training courses for teachers available. <https://learn.brook.org.uk/index.php?>

Behaviour Management

The **Open University** ‘Teaching for Good Behaviour’ course may of interest to newly/recently qualified practitioners or for those looking to develop their skills <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/education-development/education-careers/teaching-good-behaviour/content-section-0?active-tab=description-tab>

Staff Wellbeing

Hays Education have adapted their free Wellbeing First pack to help teachers and support staff make it through this difficult period by adding a range of new online courses around the best practice for remote working and wellbeing. <https://educationtraining.hays.co.uk/wellbeing-first/>