

EPHA Meetings Academic Year 2017/2018

Spring term 2018

SOUTH	Wednesday 21 February	Holiday Inn, Basildon
N-EAST	Thursday 22 February	Colchester Stadium
WEST	Wednesday 28 February	Weston Homes, Takeley
MID	Thursday 1 March	Chelmsford City Football Club

Summer term 2018

SOUTH	Wednesday 13 June	Holiday Inn, Basildon
N-EAST	Thursday 14 June	Colchester Stadium
WEST	Wednesday 20 June	Weston Homes, Takeley
MID	Thursday 21 June	Chelmsford City Football Club

Meetings start at **9.00 am** and *please* book out the whole day to ensure you benefit from the EPHA and Local Authority input. The agendas will be emailed to schools at least a week in advance of the meeting, and are available on the EPHA website.

Lunch and refreshments will be provided free at the meetings.

Contact your Area Chair or the EPHA Professional Officer with any concerns, questions or issues you would like to discuss with colleagues.

Are you taking advantage of the termly briefings delivered to groups of heads by the EPHA Professional Officer, which will keep you up to date with information on Ofsted, the DfE, safeguarding, the LA and much more? 17 clusters across the county are already running these free sessions and headteachers are enjoying the benefits of receiving up to date information each term. Please contact Pam if you want to arrange a briefing.

EPHA support in relation to data protection and the General Data Protection Regulation

As you are well aware, the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA) will be replaced on 25th May 2018 with the new General Data Protection Regulation 2016 (GDPR).

There has been a wealth of information about the changes (some helpful, some less so!) and EPHA has created a new page on the website where you will find checklists, model policies, privacy notices, training tools, guidance and information about data protection and GDPR.

<https://essexprimaryheads.co.uk/info-and-documents/data-protection/>

The DfE is in the process of making a series of short videos to help schools prepare for GDPR – The first one focuses on creating a “personal data eco-system” and the role of the Data Protection Officer.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y09IHxv6u6M>

EPHA has produced a supporting paper for the video, which can be found on the data protection page of our website.

Termly meeting with Local Authority officers

The EPHA Executive met with Clare Kershaw and other LA Officers on 24 January 2018. The agenda included:

- Information about the education restructure
- An update on the Essex small schools strategy
- A discussion about the schools broadband service
- A presentation about domestic violence notifications

At the **EPHA Executive meeting** earlier in the day, headteachers focused on:

- ✓ Information about school funding and delegation for 2018/19
- ✓ Feedback from EPHA officers and headteachers who represent colleagues at meetings, including a meeting with social care leads

The minutes of the Executive meetings are available on the EPHA website

<http://essexprimaryheads.co.uk/meetings>

Executive Director news

Nigel Hookway, the EPHA Executive Director, will be retiring in March. He has supported the Association for the last 18 months and has lobbied on behalf of primary heads to tackle the challenges that affect schools, both in Essex and nationally.

We would like to thank Nigel for his contribution and commitment to EPHA and to wish him and his family well for the future.

You can contact EPHA through the website www.essexprimaryheads.co.uk

via Pam Langmead, Professional Officer, at pam@langmead.me.uk

Harriet Phelps-Knights EPHA Chair, via Janet Duke Primary

EPHA CONFERENCE NEWS

HEADTEACHERS' CONFERENCE Friday 23 March 2018
Stock Brook Country Club, Nr Billericay – *key note speakers, Sir John Jones and Derek Redmond.*

There are very few places left, so please contact Pam Langmead immediately if you would like to attend.

DEPUTY HEADS' CONFERENCE Friday 5 October 2018
Weston Homes Community Stadium, Colchester