

EPHA Meetings Academic Year 2018/2019

Spring term 2019

N-EAST	Wednesday 6 March	Colchester Stadium
SOUTH	Thursday 7 March	Holiday Inn, Basildon
WEST	Wednesday 13 March	Business Centre, Takeley
MID	Thursday 14 March	Chelmsford City Football Club

Summer term 2019

N-EAST	Wednesday 12 June	Colchester Stadium
SOUTH	Thursday 13 June	Holiday Inn, Basildon
WEST	Wednesday 19 June	Business Centre, Takeley
MID	Thursday 20 June	Chelmsford City Football Club

Lunch and refreshments will be provided free at the meetings.

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

OFSTED EDUCATION INSPECTION FRAMEWORK CONSULTATION

The draft education inspection framework for 2019 sets out how Ofsted proposes to inspect schools, further education and skills provision and registered early year's settings. The consultation will run until 5th April 2019.

The main proposed changes that will affect schools:

1. Inspections of 'good' schools increased to 2 days
2. Ofsted could arrive within 2.5 hours and a lead inspector will spend half a day on site, pre-planning for inspection
3. Personal development, behaviour and welfare judgment split - replaced with two separate judgments: behaviour and attitudes and personal development.
4. A new 'quality of education' judgment
5. Ofsted will focus less on internal performance data, but will ask about staff workload

Make sure that you and your staff and governors have your say – particularly about the more controversial proposals. EPHA has produced a response to the five consultation questions that you can use as a "starter for one".

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/education-inspection-framework-draft-for-consultation>

Termly meeting with Local Authority officers

The EPHA Executive met with Clare Kershaw and LA Officers on 24 January 2019. The agenda included:

- An update on the SEND capital programme and progress of the strategy to overhaul the provision of SEND support in Essex, including the review and redesign of the SEN workforce in the authority;
- Information about a proposed traded data information package, to be introduced in September;
- An update from Jason Kitkat, Executive Director of Corporate Development, about the progress of the EES sale

The minutes of the Executive meetings with LA Officers are available on the EPHA website

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

EPHA Executive Meeting

The spring term EPHA Executive Meeting took place on 24 January 2019. The agenda included a presentation from Jan Bloomfield, Essex Police, about the extended Youth Justice team, a new team of police officers working directly with schools across Essex. We also had a very useful input from Jeremy Spencer, Senior Ofsted HMI for the Eastern region, who discussed the proposals for the new Ofsted framework and handbook due to be introduced in September 2019.

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CONTACT EPHA

EPHA continues to offer support to all primary-phase headteachers with termly information briefings, training, regular emails, documents, 7-minute staff meetings, updates and support by email, by phone and on the EPHA website

www.essexprimaryheads.co.uk

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

Harriet Phelps-Knights EPHA Chair, via Janet Duke Primary

The notes produced for the termly headteacher briefings can be found on the EPHA website at

<https://essexprimaryheads.co.uk/info-and-documents/termly-briefings/>

If your cluster wants to take advantage of these free sessions, which are packed full of topical information, contact Pam to discuss her availability.

EPHA CONFERENCE NEWS

HEADTEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Friday 22 March 2019 Stock Brook Country Club – key note speakers: Lord Robert Winston, Mick Waters and Adam Kay (best-selling author of "This is Going to Hurt"). The conference is now heavily over-subscribed – apologies to those who haven't managed to secure a place this year.

Next year's **Deputy Heads' conference** will be held on **Friday 4 October 2019** at the Weston Homes Community Stadium, Colchester. The key note speaker will be Chris Quigley. Programme and booking forms will be sent out to schools in June).