

EPHA Meetings Academic Year 2019/2020

Spring term 2020

N-EAST	Wednesday 4 March	Colchester Stadium
SOUTH	Thursday 5 March	Holiday Inn, Basildon
WEST	Wednesday 11 March	Business Centre, Takeley
MID	Thursday 12 March	Chelmsford City Football Club

Summer term 2020

N-EAST	Wednesday 10 June	Colchester Stadium
SOUTH	Thursday 11 June	Holiday Inn, Basildon
WEST	Wednesday 17 June	Business Centre, Takeley
MID	Thursday 18 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.

EPHA Executive Meeting

The spring term EPHA Executive Meeting took place on 23 January 2020. The agenda included a discussion with Steve Davey, who has taken on the role for Essex Police, leading the Prevent and Protect Organised Crime Group.

The main focus of the meeting was very useful input from Michelle Winter, Senior Ofsted HMI for the Eastern region, who presented on the introduction and implementation of the Education Inspection Framework and listened to our feedback.

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

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

Termly meeting with Local Authority officers

The EPHA Executive met with Clare Kershaw and LA Officers on 23 January 2020. The agenda included:

- Feedback about the Local Authority SEND inspection which took place in November, and the next steps for the LA and Clinical Commissioning Groups.
- Discussion about the introduction of the SEND workforce, and schools' experience so far.
- An update on Essex payroll and the closure of the Broadband service.

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EPHA training, briefings and resources

One of EPHA's main aims is to offer topical, relevant and affordable guidance and resources to Essex primary headteachers. Around 300 headteachers (and a number of SBMs and governors) are benefiting from the termly headteacher briefings that offer advice and a do-list for the term ahead.

The EPHA website is kept up to date with current documents and checklists, and is the home of the 7-minute staff meetings. The most recent ones published are County Lines, and Staff Code of Conduct. Currently in production: a staff meeting on the Equality Act, and another explaining off-rolling and gaming, a key priority in Ofsted inspections.

<https://essexprimaryheads.co.uk/info-and-documents/seven-minute-staff-meetings/>

EPHA continues to run training events and conferences that are heavily subsidised – please contact the EPHA Professional Officer if you would like us to consider running a training event for headteachers.

EPHA Executive membership

It is vital that every district of Essex is well represented on the EPHA Executive. We currently have vacancies for headteacher reps in Brentwood, Epping Forest South, Colchester South and Halstead. If you are in one of these areas/clusters, please consider joining the Executive to make sure your local voice is heard.

CONTACT EPHA

EPHA continues to offer support to all primary-phase headteachers with termly information briefings, training, regular emails, documents, 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

EPHA CONFERENCE NEWS

HEADTEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Friday 20 March 2020 Stock Brook Country Club – *key note speakers: Baroness Floella Benjamin, Dave Harris and Lee Ridley (aka the Lost Voice Guy)* 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 2 October 2020** at the Weston Homes Community Stadium, Colchester. One of the key note speakers will be Drew Povey. Programme and booking forms will be sent out to schools in June).