

EPHA Meetings Summer term 2018

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

Meetings start at **9.00 am** and *please* book out the day to ensure you benefit from the EPHA and Local Authority input and the safeguarding forum meeting. 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.

See overleaf for the meeting dates for the 2019/20 school year.

The Area Annual General Meetings will be held at the Summer term headteacher meetings – please consider joining the EPHA Executive to represent your colleagues and help inform and support all primary heads in Essex.

The **EPHA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** will be held on Thursday 10th October 2019 at Chelmsford City Football Club, starting at 9.00 am.

Consultation, Consultation, Consultation

At a loose end since the close of the Ofsted consultation?

Don't miss the current DfE "calls for evidence"

Funding for SEND and those who need AP – closes 31 July 2019

Teachers' pension scheme regulations – seeking views regarding changes to unmarried partner and same-sex survivor benefits in the England and Wales Teachers' pension scheme – closes 25 June 2019

Download the outcome of the review of school exclusions – the Edward Timpson report. There will be a consultation later in the year in relation to his 30 recommendations
<https://essexprimaryheads.co.uk/files/timpson-review-of-school-exclusion-may-2019.pdf>

Working with our colleagues in ESSET

EPHA works very closely with ASHE – the Association of Secondary Headteachers in Essex – and this has benefits for all schools. We have recently discussed a closer collaboration with the heads of Essex primary-phase special schools and hope that more of them will attend EPHA meeting and events. ESSET has paid a contribution to EPHA to support their involvement. We believe this will help develop a better understanding of the demands and challenges in each sector, and encourage effective working to support children with SEND (and their families), whatever Essex school they attend.

Termly meeting with Local Authority officers

The EPHA Executive met with Clare Kershaw and other LA Officers on 9 May 2019. The agenda included:

- Mid-year and summer born admissions
- An update on the SEND strategy. Executive members have joined a task group to consider the effectiveness of SEND support in pre-schools and early years
- Elective home education and flexi-schooling

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

- ✓ the LA peer review report of permanent exclusions in Essex and the role of EPHA
- ✓ representing primary heads on a group to consider the High Needs Block funding

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

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

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Harriet Phelps-Knights EPHA Chair, via Janet Duke Primary

EPHA CONFERENCE NEWS

DEPUTY HEADS' CONFERENCE

Friday 4 October 2019

Colchester Football Stadium

Further information and booking forms will be sent to all schools in late June in the post. Our key note speakers are Chris Quigley and Adam Kay. Workshop presenters will include Nick Saunders, Mary Myatt and Nicola Morgan.

SAVE THE DATE

Next year's EPHA ANNUAL HEADTEACHERS' CONFERENCE will be held on **Friday 20 March 2020** at Stock Brook Country Club. More information in January 2020

EPHA funding for 2019/20

A reminder to you all that funding for EPHA will continue to be top-sliced from the Dedicated Schools Grant. Area meetings will continue to be "free" to all primary headteachers, along with the website, termly cluster briefings, training events and advice and support from the Professional Officer and EPHA Executive. See our paper on "what headteachers get for their contribution to EPHA" to see what great value we offer!