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SEIC weekly update

Welcome to your weekly update on the variety of supports available to colleagues working within the South East Improvement Collaborative area.

“Colleagues in Education are working incredibly hard in very challenging circumstances. The SEIC Central Teams offer help and support to those working in City of Edinburgh, East Lothian, Fife, Midlothian and Scottish Borders. This weekly update will help you find out more about SEIC and the current supports available to you. Together, we can make life changing differences to our children, young people and families.” Fiona Robertson, SEIC Lead and Executive Director, Midlothian Council.

More on SEICThe South East Improvement Collaborative work is based on robust analysis of data, leading to two areas of focus: improving attainment and achievement including closing the attainment gap, and quality improvement within education settings.

Did you know that.....the proportion of school leavers entering a positive destination from school across the South East Collaborative region as a whole, is close to the national average (92.7% for SEIC vs 93.2% for Scotland)? Collective efforts within each authority and across the SEIC will help young people due to leave school this year, have a positive and sustainable next step in place. Watch this space for some exciting new SEIC work happening in this area.

If I keep reading this update, what will I find? You'll find a range of **professional learning offers** coming up very soon. Apologies if by the time you receive this update, some of the dates have already passed – we are working to find the best ways to get this update to you quickly. If you scroll further down, you'll find other offers that are taking place in the coming weeks (all specifying who sessions are aimed at). You'll also find a range of helpful **resources** you can tap in to.

Are there any SEIC Local Authority Updates?

Would you like to become a SEIC Pedagogy Pioneer? Apply to become one of the new pioneers for this session or apply to take part in the 'Play Pedagogy' sprint and support sessions, taking forward the work of the pioneers from last session. More details are provided within the main authority communications, but please get in touch with your SEIC QIO for more information. The deadline for applications is 18th Oct.

How can I find out more or make contact with the SEIC Central Teams?

You can subscribe to our mailing list using this link [SEIC News – \(Subscribe here\)](#).

You can read the full SEIC Plan, which provides info on SEIC work & related data using this link:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/glowblogs/seicollabportal/key-documents/>

Follow us on twitter @SEICollab and Youtube - [South East Improvement Collaborative - YouTube](#)

If you have any feedback or need any further information about SEIC, please email

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What professional learning is on offer 4th – 15th October?

4-7th Oct

Creative Bravery Festival

Audience: All practitioners

<https://creativebraveryfestival.com/>

5th October 4pm

[Scottish Book Trust programmes for schools - expressive arts](#)

Audience: primary and secondary teachers and librarians

5th October 4pm

[Screen time mental health - Balancing the positive with the negative](#)

Audience: Teacher exclusive event

The Association for Child and Adolescent Mental Health

6th October 4pm

Creative Conversation –

[Engaging families in maths and numeracy series improving outcomes](#)

Audience: all practitioners

6th October 6pm

[ELC public health blether for early-learning and childcare providers](#)

Audience: ELC Practitioners

Education Scotland

What about new resources?

4th – 10th October

National challenge Poverty Week

<https://www.challengepoverty.net/>

Follow [@PovertyAlliance](#) and [@CPW_Scotland](#) on twitter to keep updated, or subscribe to the Poverty Alliance [newsletter](#)

Countdown to COP26:

[Countdown to COP26 | Learning resources | National Improvement Hub](#)

Young Scot S1-S3 Information literacy:

[Digital learning from Comhairle Nan Eilean Siar](#)

National e-Learning offer. 2021-22 Flyer available here:

[National e-Learning Offer | Education Scotland](#)

What help and support is there for practitioners working within SEIC?

Professional Learning support for Early Career Teacher's

[Stepping Stones Programme](#)

GTCS & Education Scotland

Can you recommend any reading for this week?

[Whole school approach - mental health wellbeing framework Aug 21](#)

Scottish Government

What else is coming up soon?

27th Oct 3.45pm

[Session 3: Explicitly Teaching Writing with Stephen Graham](#)

Audience: Probationers and RQT's

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27th Oct 1.30

[An Introduction to Creativity Across Learning \(for EYPs & Support Staff\)](#)

Audience: Early Years Practitioners and Support Staff

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27th Oct 4pm

[Finding and Using Accessible Texts](#)

Audience

Call Scotland

28th Oct 8.30am

[Session 3: Explicitly Teaching Writing with Stephen Graham Tickets, Thu 28 Oct 2021 at 08:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Audience: Probationers and RQT's
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28th Oct 3.30-4.15

4 week course (28th Oct, 9th Nov, 16th Nov and 23rd Nov 2021)

Positive Relationships KEY Approach (Knowledge Empowers You)

Audience: teaching, support or leadership staff

Platform: GLOW MS Teams

Fife Council – open to all SEIC if you are not an employee of Fife Council, please contact pedagogy.team@fife.gov.uk

1st Nov 4pm

[High quality assessments literacy across the curriculum](#)

Audience: All

Education Scotland

3rd Nov 4pm

[Google Action Blocks to support communication and physical impairment](#)

Audience: All

Call Scotland

11th Nov 4.30pm

[An Introduction to Creativity Across Learning \(for SLT & Teaching Staff\)](#)

Audience: SLT and Teaching staff

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