



## Dear Aspire Challenge Partners Hub Partners,

Thank you to all of our valued partners who joined us on Monday afternoon for our first Hub meeting. A successful afternoon with lots of best practice and professional development opportunities shared. It was a fantastic opportunity to be joined by Kate Chatwaal (CEO of CP) who gave an in-depth update of the Challenge Partners national landscape. It was pleasing to learn – so many colleagues find these bulletins useful and share them widely with staff, it is important they understand the rationale behind Aspire Hub and feel part of our team too!

Please take time to read the minutes from the meeting and explore the attachments – especially the EFe programme which we are very excited to launch in January 2020. Please consider how this could impact on your children in school and contact Emma ASAP to book your free places on the programme.

Thank you for your commitment and collaboration with Aspire!

With best wishes - Karen, Simon, Penny & Elliot



### Key Dates

#### **Hub Meetings:**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020  
(All 2pm – 4pm)

#### **Hub Celebration:**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019  
Stockton Heath  
(7pm Arrival)

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### EFE – Excellence for Everyone

The new proposed date for the EFE launch is Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at Knowsley Lane Primary School, **please ensure that you contact Emma by 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019**, to confirm your Schools involvement and the 3 names of the members of staff who will be attending the launch day. We hope to see as many of you there as possible to take part in this evidence-based project to improve our vulnerable and disadvantaged pupils' outcomes!

### Planning considerations for Day 1 training:

**Training date: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

Venue: Knowsley Lane Primary School, Knowsley  
Start: 8.45a.m. for 9.00a.m. End: 3.00 p.m.

**Delegates: 3 per school comprising of:**

Leader

Teacher

Support Assistant

**Resources you must bring with you:**

Whole school pupil premium data

Current school's pupil premium strategy

Class pupil premium data

## Interested Schools.... Whitefield Primary School – Everton, Liverpool

We value every child for who they are & prepare them for all they can be. Whitefield reader, life achiever! 'Nothing but the best'. Thank you for joining us on Monday for our Hub meeting! Please follow Whitefield Primary School - @WhitefieldPS or check out whitefieldprimaryschool.co.uk



We are always interested in welcoming new schools to our expanding Hub – please refer any colleagues to Georgina or Elliot and they can introduce themselves and discuss involvement in Aspire!

## Do you have expertise in primary writing?

Do your primary pupils achieve a good level of depth, particularly in writing? Or do you use the Talk for writing programme? If so, Chrysalis Hub are keen to draw on your expertise, in order to increase the % of their pupils achieving greater depth in writing.

Please email [Alice.Toft@claremont-high.org.uk](mailto:Alice.Toft@claremont-high.org.uk) if you are able to share your knowledge.

## QA Reviews; The latest feedback

***"It has been refreshing to focus on the wider curriculum and on strategies that improve the life chances of disadvantaged pupils."*** Elizabeth Laws, Headteacher from Pickhurst Infant Academy

***"We felt that the joint 'Strategies and Impact' meeting was a more successful forum than the individual meetings held in the previous framework."*** Tom Inman, Headteacher from Gordano School

## National Conference - early bird tickets now on sale!

Tickets are now on sale for Challenge Partners National Conference on 27 February 2020, with an inspiring array of speakers and presentations by schools. The theme is Inclusive Excellence and keynote speakers are Tanni Grey-Thompson and Matthew Syed. Find out more and book early bird tickets [here](#).

***It would be fantastic to see as many of our Aspire Hub colleagues there as possible! Please let Elliot know if you are attending and he will organise an Aspire Table for us all to meet and network (there may be even an opportunity for a G&T on the evening!!)***



## Tweets of the fortnight:



**Hillside High School** @hillside\_high · Nov 25

Lovely start to the day awarding the top ten attending forms with their celebrations and Form Tutors with their well deserved Hillside Way mugs and Kit Kats!

#PrideInHillside  
#AttendanceMatters



**Dr Kate Chhatwal** @KateChhatwal · Nov 25

Wonderful visit to @wadedeacon @KnowsleyLanePS @TheAspire\_Hub today. It may only be @wadedeacon's motto but clearly all share a "commitment to excellence" and also #equity. Inclusion very much a feature of the schools and the hub's work.

