



## Dear Aspire Challenge Partners Hub Partners,

What a busy start we have had to Spring Term Two in Aspire Hub!

The Challenge Partners National Conference was a great success – very thought-provoking and refreshing to learn about other school approaches to Curriculum design and innovation especially. Matthew Syed's provocation around 'learn it all' not 'know it all' organisations really stuck with me, and our role as leaders to create, then nurture this ethos and culture. It was fantastic to see other Aspire Hub colleagues at the conference who enjoyed the day as much as we did!

Our Hub Meeting 2 was a successful and very informative meeting – thank you all for attending this (despite Bury trying to put barriers in place on the roads!) It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our Hub Priorities and plan for the Spring/Summer Terms to ensure we meet all of our agreed aims. The Curriculum Enquiry group are looking forward to firming up plans to carry out the enquiry into the curriculum and sharing this with all colleagues during our 'Metacognition & Science of Learning' day! More details to follow...

It was also so pleasing to hear and learn that you are all very keen and committed to membership with Aspire Hub for next academic year – we look forward to achieving great things together!

*With best wishes - Karen, Simon, Penny & Elliot*

### Key Dates

#### **Hub Meetings:**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020  
Wade Deacon High School  
(All 2pm – 4pm)

#### **Hub Celebration:**

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

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Our biggest National Conference yet featured provocation, collaboration and challenge as our theme of inclusive excellence brought together a range of useful perspectives and insights.

Our CEO Dr Kate Chhatwal set the tone with a **thought-provoking speech** asking what more we can do as educators to help all children succeed.

Keynote speaker Matthew Syed said "Leaders and organisations should be learn-it-all's not know-it-all's," as he shared lessons from innovative businesses.

The 11-times Paralympic gold medallist Baroness Tanni Grey-Thompson said having high-achieving role models didn't mean all disabled children should be encouraged to become great athletes.

Partner schools and speakers shared exceptional practice and explored ideas around inclusion and school improvement, including in our buzzing session with 22 simultaneous carousels of excellent practice. And we enjoyed music and drama from Mounts Bay Academy (who even have their own record label, Qube) and from The Bridge School.

## ALL Leaders of Learning Conference

Please note an invite to attend the **ALL Leaders of Learning Conference** which is taking place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at The International Centre, Telford. Their unique Professional Learning Conferences continue to inspire school colleagues nationally. Their keynote speakers and workshops are current and distinctive to ensure that they are ever-evolving and relevant to the changing landscape of education.



## QAR Review Opportunities:

Wed 1 Apr to Fri 3 Apr 2020	Challenger Hub	Primary	Essex
Mon 20 Apr to Wed 22 Apr 2020	Astrea Hub	Secondary	South Yorkshire
Mon 20 Apr to Wed 22 Apr 2020	North West Hub	Primary	Cheshire
Mon 27 Apr to Wed 29 Apr 2020	East Midlands South Hub	Secondary	Leicestershire
Wed 29 Apr to Fri 1 May 2020	Cognitus Hub	Primary	Crawley, West Sussex
Wed 29 Apr to Fri 1 May 2020	Wootton Bassett Hub	Primary	Bristol
Mon 4 May to Wed 6 May 2020	Wootton Bassett Hub	Secondary	Wiltshire
Wed 20 May to Fri 22 May 2020	Impact Alliance Hub	Primary	London
Wed 20 May to Fri 22 May 2020	Astrea Hub	Secondary	Cambridgeshire
Mon 1 Jun to Wed 3 Jun 2020	London South Hub	Primary	London
Mon 8 Jun to Wed 10 Jun 2020	Herts and Bucks Hub	Secondary	Buckinghamshire
Wed 10 Jun to Fri 12 Jun 2020	London West Hub	Primary	Hounslow
Mon 15 Jun to Wed 17 Jun 2020	Ark Hub	All-through	London
Wed 24 Jun to Fri 26 Jun 2020	Portsmouth Hub	Primary	Portsmouth
Thu 25 Jun to Sat 27 Jun 2020	Haberdashers' Aske's Hub	Primary	Bexley

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