



CPD and Safeguarding Update

Fortnightly Roundup Issue 11: 01/03/24

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If you have anything you would like to share across the Trust, or any suggestions for future roundups, please forward to roddanj@aletheiatrust.org.uk and armstrongn@aletheiatrust.org.uk



Trust Day 2024 **‘Hope and Belonging’**

Tuesday 12th March 2024
Arrival 08:30 | Finish 13:00 (approx)
Refreshments provided

With Exceptional Key Note Speakers:
Bruce Daisley
Chris Lubbe
Rev. Simon Burton-Jones

Hello March

May the early spring
Awaken your soul and
Remind you to
Celebrate the season with the
Hope and Joy it brings



Location:
Mezure Maidstone
Great Danes, Maidstone,
ME17 1RE

Important Notices/Reminders for Schools

Initial Teacher Training and Apprenticeship Opportunities

For information relating to the Aletheia SCITT, in partnership with Teach First, please refer to our brochure.



For details relating to the Teacher Apprenticeship (QTS only), please refer to this document from our chosen provider, Best Practice Network.

For Teaching Assistant Apprenticeships (Level 3), please refer to this document from our chosen provider, Best Practice Network.



For details relating to the Teacher Apprenticeship (PGCE and QTS), please refer to this document from our chosen provider, The Teacher Training Partnership (working with NITE and Coventry University).

Kagan Training for New Staff

Date and time: Wednesday 20th March 9.30am – 2pm

Location: Saint George's Primary Phase (P7)

Audience: Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Leaders, and any other relevant staff new to the Trust or who haven't previously attended Kagan training.

Purpose: An introduction to Kagan, including theory and practical application in schools.

Bookings:

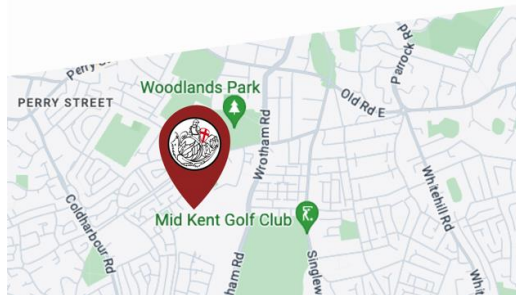
<https://forms.office.com/e/9fU3c1eES>

Kagan Training for New Staff

Kagan

A fun, interactive introduction to **Kagan Co-operative Learning** for teachers, teaching assistants, leaders and any other relevant staff new to the Trust!

Sign up via the [Microsoft Form](#) or email prests@aletheiaacademies.org.uk



**Wednesday 20th March 2024
09:30 - 14:00**

**Saint George's Primary Phase (P7)
Westcott Avenue, DA11 7HP**

Led by Sarah Prest

KS2 Writing Moderation Briefing

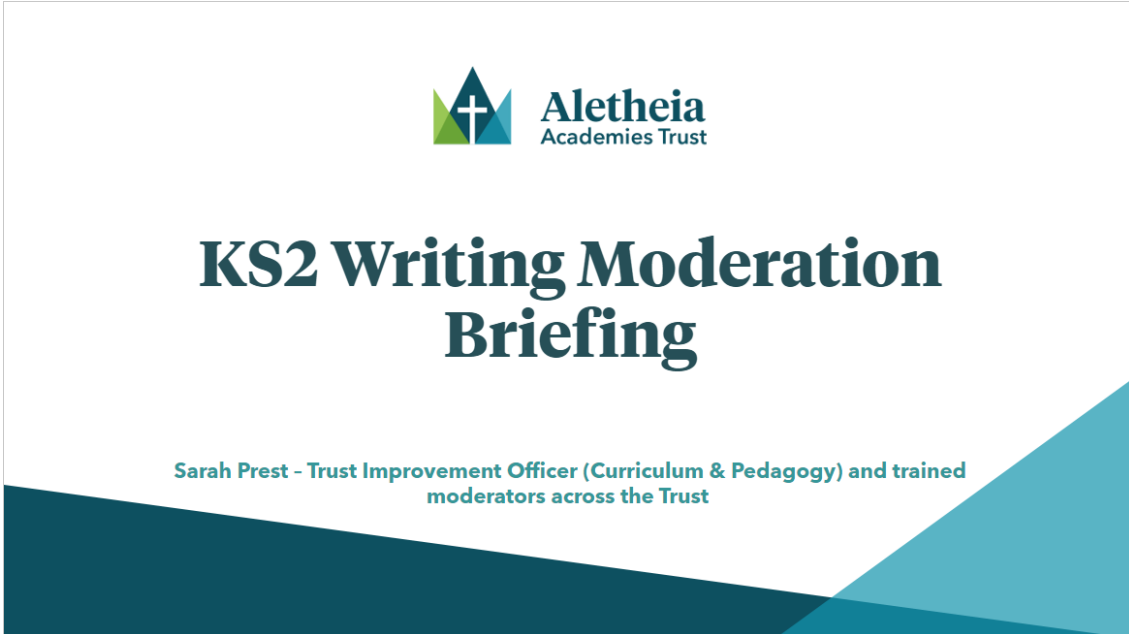
Here's the link to the recording for the KS2 Moderation Briefing for Year 6 colleagues and key leaders which took place yesterday:


[Aletheia KS2 Writing Moderation Briefing 29.02.24.mp4 \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

The folder with the slides, recording and all training materials the briefing references is here:

[KS2 Writing Assessment Materials - OneDrive \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

The training materials are useful for anyone who is interested in what end points for Key Stage 2 writing looks like – take a look!

A presentation slide with a white background and a dark teal footer. At the top center is the Aletheia Academies Trust logo, which consists of a stylized cross made of four triangles (green, blue, blue, green) and the text 'Aletheia Academies Trust'. Below the logo, the title 'KS2 Writing Moderation Briefing' is written in a large, bold, dark teal serif font. At the bottom, the presenter's name and role, 'Sarah Prest - Trust Improvement Officer (Curriculum & Pedagogy) and trained moderators across the Trust', are written in a smaller, dark teal sans-serif font. The slide is framed by a thin dark teal border. The bottom of the slide features a decorative graphic of overlapping teal and dark teal shapes.


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KS2 Writing Moderation Briefing

Sarah Prest - Trust Improvement Officer (Curriculum & Pedagogy) and trained moderators across the Trust

Training Reminders

History Training

These dates are the online training dates for term 4 - 6.

- Session 3 - 11/3/24
- Session 4 - 20/5/24
- Session 5 - 3/6/24
- Session 6 - 11/7/24

Please access the meetings using the details below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88364819076?pwd=VlR3tcfWZNRK9ja5cAILxuK90hcyiy.1>

Meeting ID: 883 6481 9076

Passcode: 252191

Making it Stick: The Science of Successful Learning

We are excited to offer an activity-fused webinar around the 'Science of Learning'. Drawing on the experience of Chris Quigley, we will unpack the webinar and explore the content using a variety of Kagan Structures.

Please follow the link below to book places for your staff:

Making It Stick Training
The Science of Successful Learning

This exciting interactive training will present evidence around **5 cognitive principles**.

For just £30 per person, you will take away 76 strategies to support:

- Cognitive Load Theory
- Spacing
- Interleaving
- Metacognition
- Retrieval Practice

Sign up via the Microsoft Form

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Monday 18th March 2024
13:30 - 16:00

Saint George's Primary Phase
Westcott Avenue, DA11 7HP

The flyer includes a map showing the location of Saint George's Primary Phase at Westcott Avenue, DA11 7HP, with a red pin marker. The map also shows nearby streets like Perry Street and Woodlands Park.

Bookings:

<https://forms.office.com/e/M77UnS66S5>

Little Wandle Training Opportunities:

Training for TAs:

Date and time: Wednesday 13th March 2-3pm

Location: Online (Zoom) via Little Wandle website

Or please feel free to join the team at Stone St Mary's who have offered to host TAs together (please email Jane Rolfe to confirm).

Audience: Teaching Assistants

Description: In this webinar we will discuss what adaptive teaching in whole class teaching looks like, give you top tips for working with children with gaps in their learning in the lesson and in Daily Keep-up, and support you to deliver repeated practice throughout the day.

How to book: Some TAs across the Trust are already booked onto this online training event, but for any others that may wish to book, speak to your school leaders. Here is the booking link:

Bookings: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/littlewandle/959784>



Free Phonics Screening Check Webinars

Date and time: Tuesday 26th March or Thursday 18th April @ 4pm

Register below:

[Tuesday 26th March here](#)

[Thursday 18th April here](#)

Clickr8 Training

Date and time: School's Development Day (Thursday 28th March) from 1-2pm

Location: Online via Teams

Bookings: <https://forms.office.com/e/zAN04XPpn0>

Primary Science Subject Leadership

Date and time: Tuesday 26th March 2024 - 9:30am - 3:30pm

Location: Ifield Smile Conference Centre

Audience: Senior Leaders, Middle Leaders, and Science Subject Leaders

Fees: £75 pp GLP Members, £100 pp non GLP Members

Description: This course will provide Science subject leaders in support, development, and guidance for highly effective subject leadership. Practical advice and opportunity to reflect on best practice in light of Ofsted expectations. Support with curriculum and pedagogical development.

Key Aims:

Tara Fletcher, facilitator, is a STEM Leader and as part of Warren Road Training Academy she supports many schools through outreach support and CPD. Warren Road is an Outstanding primary school (2022) and Tara aims to support schools on their onward school improvement science journey.

Bookings:

<https://www.glp-uk.org.uk/cpd/leadership/science-subject-leadership>

RE Leaders Conference (Diocese of Rochester)

Date and time: Wednesday 21st March 2024 - 9:30am - 3:00pm

Location: Lenham Community Centre, Groom Way, Lenham, Maidstone, Kent

Audience: RE Leaders

Fees: SLA £95 Non-SLA £150 per person

Description: Following the success of last year's RE Conference and the feedback we received, we have decided to make this an annual occurrence! This is a great opportunity for RE leaders to gather to share good practice and ideas to revitalise their RE provision in school.

Bookings:

<https://www.rdbe.org.uk/courses-calendar>

Safeguarding and Wellbeing

SCR Update

Please note that the internet and social media checks function is now available on the online Single Central Record for all schools. It is where this check should be recorded for all staff. Staff previously employed can have this check marked as 'not required'. **From Monday 4th March, however, this check will be mandatory for any new appointments. There is a Trust proforma that can be found [here](#) and must be retained on each personnel file.**

Staff Wellbeing Surveys

Our next Trust Wide Wellbeing Survey will be **w/c 18 March**.

Questions will be similar to those we have used before so we can compare our results year on year but if there are any themes that staff would like included please could they let me know by Friday 15 March, please email HR@aletheiatrust.org.uk

Going forward there will be 3 staff surveys per academic year, 2 will be managed by schools directly and one will be Trust led, the school led surveys will be in terms 2 and 6 and the Trust survey will be in Term 4.

#WakeUpWednesday

Please can we remind you that as all staff subscribe to 'The National College', you can access the amazing online safety guides released weekly.

These are designed to empower and equip parents and carers with the information to support their children.

Please see the focus from last week that is really helpful for our children as they reach the mid-point of this academic year:



Understanding and Supporting Young People experiencing suicidal ideation in education settings

Please see the poster for the upcoming Kent Countywide Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing School Network Event taking place on **Monday 18th March, 4pm-5.30pm via Zoom.**

Please note this event is for school staff only.

Book your free place [here](#) or follow the link on the poster. You will then be sent a Zoom link in advance of the meeting.

KENT COUNTYWIDE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE EMOTIONAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH ONLINE SCHOOL NETWORK EVENT

UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE EXPERIENCING SUICIDAL IDEATION IN EDUCATION SETTINGS

Presented by Dr Dan Jones (Child & Educational Psychologist - Kent Educational Psychology Service) and Dr Virginia Lumsden (Consultant Clinical Psychologist, NELFT)

- Develop an awareness and understanding of suicide including risk factors.
- Develop an understanding of myths and facts related to suicide.
- Increase awareness of approaches and ways of supporting students who may be experiencing suicidal ideation.
- Consider how to support staff when supporting students who may be experiencing suicidal ideation.



MONDAY 18TH MARCH 4PM-5.30PM VIA ZOOM

REGISTER HERE FOR YOUR FREE PLACE

PLEASE NOTE THIS EVENT IS FOR SCHOOL STAFF ONLY (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY)

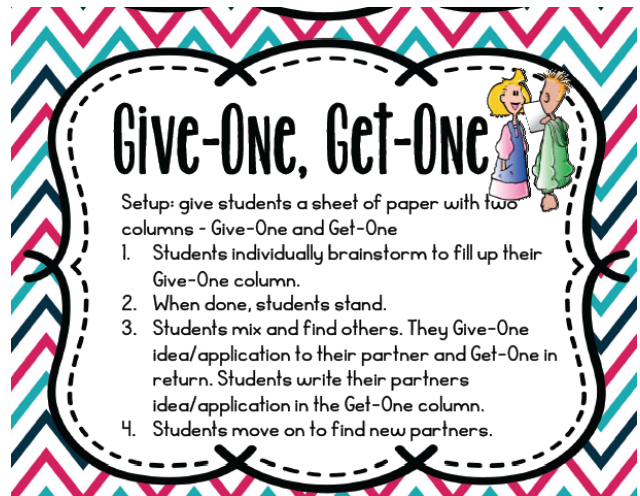
***BY REGISTERING FOR THIS EVENT YOU WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE REGISTERED FOR OUR MAILING LIST TO LEARN ABOUT MORE EVENTS NEAR YOU - PLEASE EMAIL WELLBEING@SCHOOLS@KENT.GOV.UK TO OPT OUT OR FOR MORE INFORMATION**



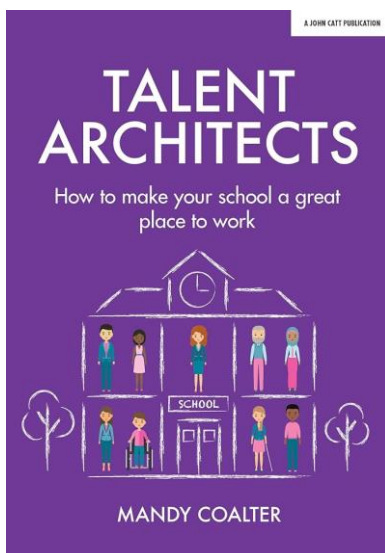
CPD for the Week

Kagan strategy to try:

Give-One, Get-One



Book to help teacher development:



Talent Architects:

<https://amzn.eu/d/f611g5B>

This book by Mandy Coultter provides practical tips and support that will help to improve staff retention, performance, and engagement. It also tackles topics such as addressing teacher workload, what really motivates and retains staff and the crucial role that leaders play in ensuring great people management in schools.

Suggested blog and/or podcast: Chris Hallam

<https://chcoachingsolutions.com/blog>

Chris Hallam has spent over 30 years working for and with some of the most iconic brands in Banking, Construction, IT and Retail. He is a behavioural psychologist who underpins his work and that of his associates with a deep understanding of how we think.

Best Practice Teams

Please communicate any changes in membership to IT.

Team	Meeting Dates	Location
Phonics	1/3/24	Stone St Mary's
English	8/3/24	Ditton
History	11/03/24	Online (4 - 5.30pm)
Pupil Voice	13/3/24	Online 1.30pm
CAS Community	13/3/24	Online 4pm-5.30pm
PE	22/03/24	TBC
RE (SIAMs)	19/04/24 Rearranged for 11/06/24 (moderation)	TBC
Staff Voice	29/04/24	Saint George's Primary 2pm
Science	20/05/24	St George's Primary

Please find all agendas and minutes for BPT here:

[Best Practice Teams](#)