

LA weekly eRed Bag mailing

Week commencing 16th April 2018

This email is an official communication to schools from the North Yorkshire Children and Young People's Service.

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Information, updates and guidance

Creating Opportunity for All: Our Vision for Alternative Provision

Audience: All Schools

The DFE have published our <u>Creating Opportunity for All: Our Vision for Alternative Provision</u>, setting out how the Government will reform alternative provision, which is an integral part of the education system entered by children who are unable to attend mainstream or specials due to exclusions, illness or other reasons.

Their vision is to ensure that all AP settings provide high quality education and that the routes into and out of AP settings work in the best interests of children. All children, regardless of their background, needs or where they live, deserves an excellent education and the opportunity to fulfil their potential.

This will be achieved by raising academic standards in AP and working collaboratively with partners across the education sector, building a strong evidence base and delivering reforms that that enable mainstream and special schools to support children to remain and reintegrate into their settings, promote collective responsibility for delivering a high quality education in AP, and ensure young people leaving AP have choices about what they do next.

For further information contact: Cerys.Townend@northyorks.gov.uk

Cascade to:

All staff working with students who are engaged in or about to access Alternative Provision.

Research on the effectiveness of SEMH interventions

Audience: All Secondary Schools

York University are currently recruiting secondary schools to participate in research on the effectiveness of social, emotional and mental health interventions in schools, to inform national good practice and to provide evidence which will allow funding to be continued.

Cascade to: Head teachers and PSHE leads

<u>THIS LETTER</u> gives details of how you can get involved with your Y11 and Y8. Your support would be very welcome.

For further information contact: Cerys.Townend@northyorks.gov.uk

Opportunity to become involved with North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board (NYSCB)

Audience: All Schools

Please $\underline{\text{CLICK HERE}}$ to view the letter inviting colleagues to join the Education Focus Group.

Cascade to:
Headteachers or
Designated
Safeguarding
Leads

For further information contact: <u>Haydn.ReesJones@northyorks.gov.uk</u>

New EHCAR/Annual Review documentation

Audience: All Schools

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to find the updated SEN documentation for children with an Education, Health and Care Plans

- EHCAR Proforma request for statutory assessment form
- Annotated EHCAR Proforma as above with guidance on how to complete referral form
- EHCAR Process guidance inc SEND Thresholds EHC Assessment document
- Annual Review Proforma inc Leaver Preference form (to be completed at Yr 10 reviews and above)
- Transport Review form to be completed alongside the Annual Review where the child has transport provided to school

Cascade to: Headteachers and SENDCos

For further information contact: Anne.Lockey@northyorks.gov.uk

Externally led review of school exclusions

Audience: All Schools

Cascade

The DFE have launched an <u>externally led review of school exclusions</u>, led by Edward Timpson CBE.

to: SLT

The review will help the DFE to understand how and why schools use exclusion, what drives the variation we see in exclusion rates and, in particular, the disproportionate exclusion of some groups - including black Caribbean boys, Children in Need, Looked After Children, and those with Special Educational Needs. The review will also explore and identify effective practice, which can be shared across the system.

As part of this review, the DFE have also published a separate <u>call for evidence</u> which seeks views from parents, children, schools, local authorities and other organisations, to hear about their experiences, practice and evidence. This is open until 6 May 2018.

If you have any queries about the review of exclusions and our call for evidence, please contact School.EXCLUSIONS@education.gov.uk.

School meal funding

Audience: All Schools

Cascade

A briefing note explaining the funding details for school meals, including previous decisions, <u>can be found here</u>. We hope schools find this explanation of recent changes in charges helpful in clarifying the position.

to:

Contact: Shaun Mancrief, Head of Traded Services (email: shaun.mancrief@northyorks.gov.uk)

Events and publicity

Annual Leadership Conference - Friday 4th May

Audience: All schools

Cascade to:

School Liaison Group (formerly JDP) invites senior leaders from all phases to attend our annual Leadership Conference, which this year takes place on Friday 4th May. Please CLICK ON THIS LINK for details and application form.

Senior Leaders

Contact: For enquiries about your booking please phone Mrs Davies -01423 862617.

Stop Loan Sharks Community Fund

Audience: All schools – resources available for Primary & Secondary

All teaching staff.

Cascade to:

The Council's trading standards service works in partnership with the national Illegal Moneylending Team to tackle loan sharks based in the County. The team recovers profits from convicted loan sharks and uses some of the money to fund community projects. The team is now inviting bids for **funding of up to £5,000 for innovative community projects** from local residents, charities, community and voluntary groups, schools and statutory agencies. Applications are open until 30th June 2018.

A PDF of the application form is available <u>HERE</u>, or you can find it on a word doc <u>HERE</u>. You can also find educational resources on loan sharks <u>HERE</u>.

Application Information: Please click on one of the links above and email to David.A.Benbow@birmingham.gov.uk

Living Street Happy Shoesday campaign Tuesday, 22 May 2018

Audience: all schools (Primary in particular)

Living Streets' annual fundraising event Happy Shoesday - Wear the shoes that make you happy, have fun and help create safer, walkable streets for all.

https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/what-we-do/projects/happy-shoesday

Cascade to:

Teaching staff

Not able to run Happy Shoesday on Tuesday, 22 May 2018? No problem! All resources provided are undated so you can pick a day that best suits your school.

CLICK HERE to register your school in the event

If you have any queries regarding this weekly mailing please contact marion.sadler@northyorks.gov.uk. Previous issues can be found at: http://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/red-bag