

Professional Learning Opportunities for School Governors

Spring Term Update 2019



Introduction

The Central South Consortium recognises the importance of Governors and the key role that they play in supporting and challenging their schools.

To support them in this valuable role Central South Consortium is delivering the mandatory training sessions for Governors. Alongside these mandatory sessions, the Consortium will also deliver a number of sessions which are pertinent to their role in school improvement.

You are able to attend these courses in any Local Authority.

How to apply for courses

To register a place on any Governor training courses please email:

- **Bridgend:** pupilservices@bridgend.gov.uk
- **Cardiff:** governor.services@cardiff.gov.uk
- **Merthyr Tydfil:** hayley.craze@merthyr.gov.uk
- **RCT:** governor.support@rctcbc.gov.uk
- **Vale of Glamorgan:** governors@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

All course bookings will be acknowledged prior to the course date.

If you are unable to attend any of the courses you have booked, please inform CSCGovernor@csajes.org.uk at your earliest convenience prior to the course date.

If there is insufficient demand for any course at any venue, it will be cancelled and you will be contacted and offered alternative provision wherever possible.

Training Venues

Bridgend

Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen

Heol yr Ysgol, Tondy CF32 9EL

Cardiff

St. Teilo's Church in Wales High School

Circle Way East, Cardiff CF23 9PD

Cardiff County Hall

Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF10 4UW

Ysgol Pwll Coch

Lawrenny Avenue, Cardiff CF11 8BR

Ysgol Bro Edern

Llanedeyrn Road, Penylan CF23 9DT

Merthyr Tydfil

Unit 5 Triangle Business Park

Pentrebach, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 4TQ

Afon Taf High School

Yew St, Troedyrhiw, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 4ED

Pen-y-Dre High School

Gurnos Estate, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 9BY

Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Santes Tudful

Heol Pantyffin, Twynyrodyn CF47 0HU

Rhondda Cynon Taf

Aberdare Community School

The Ynys, Aberdare CF44 7RP

Bryncelynnog Comprehensive

Penycoedcae Road, Beddau, Pontypridd CF38 2AE

Cardinal Newman RC Comprehensive School

Dynea Road, Rhydyfelin, Pontypridd CF37 5DP

Pontypridd High School

Albion Community Campus, Cilfynydd, Pontypridd CF37 4SF

Tonyrefail Community School

Gilfach Road, Tonyrefail CF39 8HG

Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhondda

Heol Graigwen, Cymer, Porth CF39 9HA

Ysgol Nant-gwyn

Llewellyn Street, Penygraig CF40 1HQ

Vale of Glamorgan

Civic Offices

Holton Road, Barry CF63 4RU

Cowbridge Comprehensive School

Aberthin Road, Cowbridge CF71 7EN

Induction Training

This is a mandatory course for new Governors and must be completed within the first year of appointment.

It will ensure that Governors:

- have the required knowledge and understanding to begin to fulfil their role effectively as a Governor to support their school in raising standards;
- are aware of national and local educational issues and their impact on governing bodies; and
- recognise the importance of training and the need to develop their skills and take advantage of other training opportunities available to them.

We recommend attending this course before the Understanding Data training.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	17/01/19	16:00-18:00
Ysgol Nant-gwyn	RCT	21/01/19	17:00-19:00
Civic Offices	Vale	29/01/19	18:00-20:00
Unit 5 Triangle Business Park	Merthyr	07/02/19	16:00-18:00
Civic Offices	Vale	14/03/19	17:00-19:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	18/03/19	17:00-19:00
Tonyrefail Community School	RCT	20/03/19	16:00-18:00
Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen	Bridgend	26/03/19	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	01/05/19	18:00-20:00
Afon Taf Comprehensive School	Merthyr	08/05/19	18:00-20:00
Pontypridd High School	RCT	09/05/19	16:00-18:00
Civic Offices	Vale	14/05/19	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	12/06/19	18:00-20:00
Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhondda	RCT	20/06/19	17:00-19:00
Civic Offices	Vale	25/06/19	17:00-19:00

Welsh Medium Induction Training

Please find details of Induction Training offered through the medium of Welsh.

We encourage all Welsh speaking Governors to attend this training.

Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhondda	RCT	16/01/19	16:00-18:00
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Understanding Data Training

- This is a mandatory course for new Governors and will provide them with an understanding of school performance data and the knowledge to enable them to ask questions about the data to fulfil their role effectively to raise standards in school.
- The training will also assist Governors to carry out their roles effectively and to assess where improvements need to be made in schools to raise standards.

We recommended attending our Induction training before this session.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen	Bridgend	23/01/19	18:00-20:00
Cardinal Newman RC Comprehensive School	RCT	05/02/19	16:00-18:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	11/02/19	17:00-19:00
Civic Offices	Vale	13/02/19	18:00-20:00
Unit 5 Triangle Business Park	Merthyr	06/03/19	17:00-19:00
Civic Offices	Vale	28/03/19	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	02/04/19	18:00-20:00
Tonyrefail Community School	RCT	10/04/19	16:00-18:00
Unit 5 Triangle Business Park	Merthyr	16/05/19	17:00-19:00
Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen	Bridgend	21/05/19	18:00-20:00
St Teilo's Church in Wales High School	Cardiff	26/06/19	18:00-20:00
Civic Offices	Vale	02/07/19	18:00-20:00
Bryncelynog Comprehensive School	RCT	04/07/19	16:00-18:00

Welsh Medium Understanding Data Training

Please find details of Understanding Data training offered through the medium of Welsh. We encourage all Welsh speaking Governors to attend this training.

Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhondda	RCT	30/01/19	17:00-19:00
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Chairperson Training

This is a mandatory course for new Chairs to be completed within 6 months of appointment, but is also open to Vice-Chairs.

This course will support Chairs to:

- have the required knowledge and understanding to fulfil their role effectively to support school improvement, raise standards of performance, ensure pupils' wellbeing and improve the quality of education provided.
- develop and enhance their understanding of the role of an effective Chair in leading the governing body;
- enhance their confidence and leadership skills and their ability to develop effective relationships with their headteacher, enabling them to offer both challenge and support to the school;
- be aware of national and local educational issues and their impact on governing bodies; and
- recognise the importance of training and the need to develop their skills and those of the governing body and take advantage of other training opportunities available to them.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
Cowbridge Comprehensive School	Bridgend&Vale	14/01/19	18:00-20:00
County Hall	Cardiff	13/03/19	17:00-19:00

Performance Management Training

This training session is intended for Governors who sit on the headteacher performance management panel and aims to ensure that the role of that panel is clear and will support the professional development of the headteacher.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
Pontypridd High School	Merthyr&RCT	20/02/19	17:30-19:30
Cowbridge Comprehensive School	Bridgend&Vale	07/03/19	18:00-20:00

Challenge and Support Workshop

The critical friend aspect is one of the most important parts of a Governor's role, yet it can also be one of the most difficult to accomplish.

This course will look at the different ways that Governors can provide challenge and support, using the Estyn framework as a guide, providing practical advice and examples of good practice.

Venue	LA	Date	Time
County Hall	Cardiff	09/04/19	18:00-20:00
Afon Taf Comprehensive School	Merthyr&RCT	27/06/19	18:00-20:00

Further Information

If your Governing Body has identified a specific training need please contact us directly:

Governor Support
Central South Consortium
Valleys Innovation Centre
Navigation Park
Abercynon
RCT
CF45 4SN

For general CSC queries: **01443 281411**

For governor support queries: **01443 281405**

Email: CSCGovernor@cscjes.org.uk

Online: www.cscjes.org.uk/governors

Twitter: [@CSCJES](https://twitter.com/CSCJES)

You can also stay up to date with the latest education news from the Central South Consortium by signing up to our weekly e-bulletin here: <https://bit.ly/2Psezal>

Governor Spring Term Briefing Sessions

Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal Act



Presented by Liz Jones, ALN Transformation Lead, Central South Consortium

In January 2018 the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal Act received royal assent alongside a mandatory timeline for implementation. Implementation of the new system will commence in September 2020 with completion expected by the end of 2023.



The Welsh Government is supporting the transformation of the new system through five key themes:

- **Legislation and statutory guidance**
- **Workforce development**
- **Implementation and transition support**
- **Awareness raising**
- **Supporting policy**

This session will provide an opportunity for governors to develop their understanding of the implications of the ALNET Act for schools and local authorities and what progress has been made within the region against the five key themes.



To book your place at one of these sessions please contact your Local Authority Governor Support Team or contact us directly at cscgovernor@cscjes.org.uk

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Governors Summer Conference 2019

WELLBEING IN EDUCATION

This year's keynote speaker:

Sophie Howe,

Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

Tuesday, 4th June 2019

Further details to be announced



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