

CTA BULLETIN

News and opportunities for all our alliance schools

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New: Teaching School Hubs

The teaching hub programme replaces the network of around 750 teaching schools which comes to an end this summer. The Catholic Teaching Alliance will be working with 4 teaching school hubs and we are currently engaging with their stakeholder events. We will keep you informed.

Network Groups

We have enjoyed working together with colleagues in our alliance schools and our network groups continue to grow. All are free, more information and links for each of them below.

Early Years

A successful online meeting held during lockdown. "We shared lots of ideas. It was lovely to catch up with other colleagues."

New date: [4 May 2021](#), 4 – 5 pm
Preparation for EYFS revisions in Sept 2021

Primary Maths

Online meetings allow for wider participation, colleagues from Lancashire and Cumbria at March meeting.

New date: [24 Jun 2021](#), 3.45 pm
On the agenda: assessment, manipulatives

Brand new: Primary RE Network Group

The Catholic Teaching Alliance in collaboration with the Diocese of Lancaster Education Service is seeking to recruit **two excellent primary RE co-ordinators** to lead our new primary RE network. The network aims to share good practice in primary RE teaching and learn from each other about how to develop the primary RE curriculum. More details of this professional development opportunity on our [website](#).

Secondary Science

Join for discussions on curriculum, exams and new Ofsted framework. Agenda set with input from participants.

New date: [4 May 2021](#), 3.40 – 4.40 pm

Secondary Literacy

New network group - an opportunity for Literacy Leaders to collaboratively discuss and share ideas and resources.

New date: will be in the [May 2021](#), TBC

ITT News

A fantastic effort from all of our trainee teachers over recent weeks, successfully rising to the challenges of training and placements in lockdown. Thank you to all our placement schools for your continued support and mentoring.

[More information](#)

Teacher Training Information Online Event

Monday, 26 April, 5.00-7.00 pm

Representatives available to answer your questions on all of our PGCE with QTS courses

Early Primary Primary Secondary Secondary with Post 16

To book your place, email ctaschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk

Training hubs in Lancashire (Preston/Blackburn) and Cumbria (Maryport)



Early Primary (3-7 years)

The second cohort is due to start in September 2021 and at the same time, the first pair of trainees will be ready to embark as NQTs. Small groups allow for greater individual attention. Watch the video for more information on our Early Primary course



General Primary (5-11 years)

Excited to report that recruitment for 2021 is going well for our Preston hub
Announcement: places available for September 2021 start at our new primary hub in Maryport, Cumbria

The training programme for 2021-22 is under revision in line with *Core Content Framework
*Initial Teacher Education (ITE) Curriculum



Secondary (11-16 years)

Preston Hub is about to enter its eighth year of teacher training
Meanwhile the Blackburn Hub will welcome its second cohort
Check out the [wide range of subjects](#) available
Current training programme already incorporates the new Core Content Framework

Secondary with Post 16 (14-19 years)

Our Preston Post 16 Hub is in its successful second year
The courses follow the secondary training programme with additional Post 16 elements

Additional subjects at this level include: **Business Studies, Dance, Economics, Health & Social Care, Media Studies, Psychology**

