

# CTA BULLETIN

News and opportunities for all our alliance schools

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## Second edition update

Once again, lots of updates and opportunities for our busy CTA schools. We hope that this month's bulletin suggests occasions where you can get engaged and offers relevant information - follow the links if something interests you and please share with others in your school.

All bulletins will be published on our website for easy reference.

### CTA Autumn/Spring CPD

Check out our [website](#) for up to date, exciting CPD opportunities, including: [An Introduction to the EEF Secondary Science Report](#), [primary subject leadership](#), mathematics and RE.

#### Q: Do you have a training need?

A: [Contact us](#) to see if we can help.

#### Q: Do you have expertise you can share with others in the alliance?

A: [Contact us](#) to tell us more.

### Leading a Mentally Healthy School Course

*"We are at the start of the journey — this course has been really valuable in the support of this."*

*-Primary Deputy  
Headteacher*

*October 2018*

### ITT News

*'Inspiring Tomorrow's Teachers' at primary, secondary and now post 16.*

### New Teacher Training Opportunities

We are excited to announce the expansion of our PGCE provision for courses starting in September 2019. In addition to our primary and secondary teacher training, we can now offer placements at, and training with, the Outstanding Cardinal Newman College, the highest performing Sixth Form College nationally.



### ITT Drop-in Sessions

[Every Monday in term-time](#), 4.00-5.00pm in the Training Centre at Our Lady's Catholic High School, PR2 3SQ.

Please signpost to potential trainee teachers.

### FREE CTA Primary Maths Network Group

The CTA would like to invite you to the [first meeting Monday 26 November](#)

4.00—5.30pm in the Training Centre at Our Lady's Catholic High School, PR2 3SQ

Email [cta@olchs.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cta@olchs.lancs.sch.uk) to book a place

### Major Literacy Opportunity

We invite you to join the CTA cross-phase work group project on **Closing the Vocabulary Gap Years 5—9**.

This is an exciting opportunity to improve the word skills of pupils in your school. This potentially could lead to accessing Education Endowment Fund (EEF) funding for literacy projects in your school.

Get involved, send a representative to the launch of this project Wednesday 5 December 4—5.30pm at Our Lady's — [contact us](#) [Link to flyer](#)

### A Research School, and now Maths and English Hubs within the Alliance!

The CTA is fortunate to be kept up to date with current educational thinking and practice via the [Blackpool Research School](#) at St Mary's Catholic Academy. We are now delighted to announce that [St John Vianney's Catholic Primary School](#) has become an English Hub to promote a love of reading and as such is looking to support schools across the alliance with phonics training opportunities and specialist advice. This is fantastic news and complements the two assistant [Maths Hubs](#) within the alliance, [Our Lady's Catholic High School](#) and [Cardinal Newman College](#).

### Free! Phonics Roadshow

With St John Vianney's Catholic Primary School, an English Hub

Wednesday 28th November

[Click for flyer and booking details](#)

### Conference Corner

CTA Conference 2019 planning has already started. Watch out for updates throughout the year.