

Primary Newsletter: December 2015

Welcome to this Primary newsletter for the Norfolk & Suffolk Maths Hub. We hope you are all enjoying the end of the long Autumn Term and having loads of Christmas fun (with some Christmaths included in this)

Updates on Maths Hub Primary Projects

There are some very exciting and interesting workgroups going on in the second year of the Maths Hub and an overview is shown below

Primary Shanghai Exchange – This project has moved into its second year as we look to work with more schools within the region and aiding them in developing their understanding of Shanghai Maths

Contact tessaholledge@inspirationtrust.org for more information

Primary Textbook Project – This project is looking at using books based on Singapore Maths texts and is working with 4 schools (2 in Suffolk and 2 in Norfolk) on developing Mathematics around this approach in Years 1 and 2

The schools involved are

- Holbrook Primary (continuing) - Suffolk
- St Helen's Primary School (continuing) - Suffolk
- Whitefriars Primary Academy (new) - Norfolk
- Watlington Primary School (new) – Norfolk

Maths Mastery Project – This project has started this year with developing 4 primary teachers on using methods for mastery and in the New year these 4 teachers will be working with a number of schools in the region on developing these techniques further

The 4 leading schools are:

Risby Primary School, Rendlesham Primary, Ravenswood Primary and Westfield Primary Academy

The schools involved within the project are

- Coupals Academy
- Pot Kiln Primary School
- Wells Hall Primary School
- Keddington Primary
- Woodhall Primary School
- Hadleigh Community Primary School
- Bacton Primary School
- Copdock Primary School
- Gillingham St Michael
- Gorseland Primary School
- Kelsale Primary School
- Trimley St Mary Primary School

Planning for mixed age classrooms – this project is being led by Brampton & Ringsfield Primary and is working on developing materials for mixed age primary classrooms in line with the new primary framework

Contact office@ringsfieldprimaryschool.org for more information

Achieving Mastery of the new primary Curriculum – This project is led by Trimley St Martin Primary School and it is looking at developing materials for embedding mastery into the new primary curriculum

Contact judym.tsm@gmail.com for more information

Early Years Maths – this project is continuing into a second year with the Maths hub and is led by Lil Newton. It is looking at developing mathematical understanding in the Early Years and with parents.

Contact lil.newton@highfield.suffolk.sch.uk for more information

Assessment without levels in primary mathematics – This project is being led by Norfolk Maths Team and looking at developing materials and advice for sharing with the region

Contact alison.borthwick@norfolk.gov.uk

Developing and Embedding the bar modelling method of teaching – This is also led by the Norfolk Maths Team and has already had 2 successful 2-day courses in the Autumn Term (1 in Norfolk and 1 in Suffolk). 2 further courses are going ahead in the Spring Term (1 in each region) and a further course in Norfolk for the Summer Term

Contact alison.borthwick@norfolk.gov.uk

Embedding teaching of algebra in Year 1 and beyond – This project is led by Bentley CEVC primary School and is continuing into its second year with the Maths Hub. It is looking at developing the teaching of algebraic understanding and processing with students in Year 1 and beyond

Contact rachandtim@talktalk.net for further information

Opportunities coming up

In 2016 the Maths Hub is looking into developing current MaST and possible future MaST teachers further through ongoing CPD and collaboration on areas relevant to all primary maths classrooms

If you are interested or would be willing to lead such a workgroup (with some funding available) please contact drowley@kesgrave.suffolk.sch.uk

Some interesting websites to look at.....

<http://www.smh.com.au/national/education/maths-app-trial-works-on-memory-and-the-neuroplasticity-of-the-brain-20151203-gleeam.html>

<http://www.snappymaths.com/addsub/addsub.htm>

<http://www.christchurchacademy.co.uk/SATS%20VIDEOS%20Choose%20Your%20Topic%20and%20Click%20the%20Links.htm>

http://www.mathematicshed.com/uploads/1/2/5/7/12572836/one_a_day_maths_vidamins_version_1.pdf

<https://www.ncetm.org.uk/resources/47230>

<http://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/>

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/maths/maths.htm>

<https://www.youcubed.org/week-of-inspirational-math/>

<http://nrich.maths.org/frontpage>

Final Message

We hope you have a lovely restful Christmas and a peaceful New Year and look forward to working you in the New Year

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