

# SCITT Chronicle.

Fylde Coast Teaching School Alliance SCITT, Winter 2017

## Ofsted 'Outstanding' in **every** category

We are very proud to report that, on completion of a very rigorous 6-day inspection between June and November, our teacher training programme was judged by Ofsted to be Outstanding in every category.



The inspection team considered our provision to be a national benchmark for teacher training providers, and highlighted how effective we are in supporting school improvement in the region.

During the November inspection, they visited last year's trainees as Newly Qualified Teachers in their employing schools including Fleetwood High, Longridge High, Aspire Academy and Montgomery. Every NQT was judged as being "fully equipped with the tools required to teach". They described our "wrap-around, bespoke care of NQTs" as one of our "unique selling points".

We would like to thank every school, every leader and every mentor for their complete commitment to our programme and our shared vision to grow our own teachers. The report stated that our "exceptional levels of communication permeate every aspect" of our work and that is down to our partnership and the positive relationships we have. So thank you!

We are delighted to join forces with the very well-established and successful primary ITT provision from Breck Primary school led by Jenny McKinnon. We have been working closely to bring across their provision under our SCITT banner and to share our expertise, making the Fylde Coast Teaching School the one-stop-shop for teacher training in our region.

Jenny has a wealth of experience and a strong partnership of primary schools so our SCITT has doubled in size as a result of this merger and mirrors the school improvement work happening across the network in terms of transition. This gives her the opportunity to

develop her programme under the freedom of the SCITT model, and we welcome Lisa Tupman to the administration team to work alongside Kate French on secondary - what a team!

We are now recruiting together for primary and secondary candidates for September 2018. Please visit our new website ([www.fylDESCITT.co.uk](http://www.fylDESCITT.co.uk)) and our SCITT Facebook page for more info about our programmes for you to share with friends and family.



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*Forging futures, one teacher at a time.*

# Thank you!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank a few of those who have contributed their time and expertise to our professional studies programme on a Friday throughout the year:



**Stephen Tierney** - CEO of the Blessed Edward Bamber Trust

Stephen came to deliver to our trainees and the feedback was fantastic as always. His insight into teaching, learning and assessment really added to their toolkits and St Mary's Catholic Academy is crucial in our SCITT partnership.



**Laura Foley** - PSHE lead and SCITT trainer | **Roy Blake** - SCITT Life Coach

Both of these people underpin the unique aspects of our teacher training provision and they work tirelessly to ensure our new teachers are fully equipped for the classroom.



**Cherryl Drabble** - Deputy Head at Highfurlong

Cherryl gives her time every year to train our new teachers in meeting the needs of pupils with different learning needs and difficulties. She shows them real strategies for breaking down barriers to learning, and is a very experienced practitioner in her field.

Many more local experts have given their time and expertise to our professional studies programme. If you would like to be involved in this programme, and you have best practice to share, please get in touch!

## Magical Mentoring

And finally, a huge thank you to all of our mentors in our partner schools. The trainees are making very rapid progress against the Teachers' Standards as a result of your hard work and commitment on the ground.

Congratulations to Shanks Choudhury at St George's for winning Magical Mentor in the first half term of the year. The Magical Mentors for this half term will be revealed in January so please keep an eye on our Facebook page and website.

## Happy New Year!

Everyone here at the Fylde Coast Teaching School SCITT would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 2017 has been a fantastic year of new challenges, hard work and most importantly - success. May 2018 be even better

