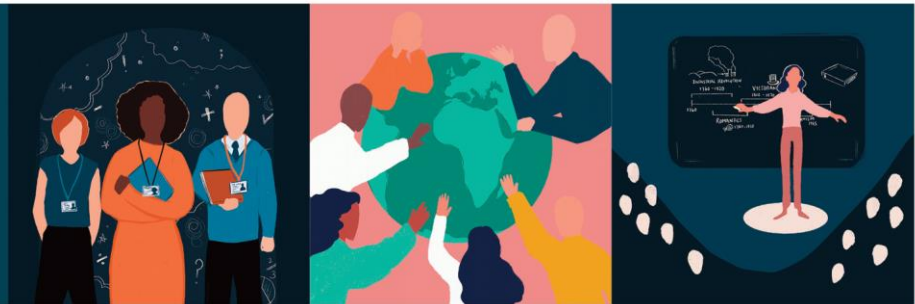




Events



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Thursday 16 October 2025
Autumn Term Issue

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Coaching for Leaders

Wednesday 19 November 2025 | 0930 – 1530
Countess Wear Community School, Exeter

The Coaching for Leaders workshop will provide leaders and coaches with increased confidence in their coaching skills. We will reflect on the challenges and successes of coaching and enable participants to practice and receive feedback on their coaching style. We will explore a range of current and effective coaching tools to enhance the skill set of the coach. The workshop will also explore the skills associated with coaching and facilitating whole teams and how coaching can be used to engage colleagues, align goals, and provide a method to manage difficult conversations.

We will reflect on some current thought leadership in coaching practice, informed by up to date organisational research relating to the effectiveness of coaching in enhancing individual and team performance. This will include a consideration of coaching different and more challenging people, and how to identify and coach people with diverse strengths and capabilities within the team environment.

Programme Summary

- Explore successes and challenges of coaching practice
- Explore effective questioning and use of clean language
- Identify some models to share in coaching practice to support learning
- Practice and receive feedback
- Identify clear elements for development and a plan to move forward

Programme Lead

Leonie Hurrell is an Educational enthusiast. At 24 Leonie became the youngest Deputy Headteacher in Dorset and went on to be a Headteacher for 8 years, before becoming an ILM Certified Leadership Coach. Leonie is passionate about learning and people development. Founder of The Thinking Academy, a company that provides coaching and ILM approved training solutions for schools.

Cost: £100 per person for SWIFT member schools | £150 for non-members.

Contact Us

If you have any questions, please contact

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SWIFT Secondary Leadership Professional Community

Friday 7 November 2025 | 1100 – 1415 | Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre
Professional Communities bring colleagues together to network, connect with leading practice and hear from expert speakers.

Programme

- Leadership in a time of flux
- Building leadership capacity
- Codifying Leadership Behaviours
- Reflections and takeaways from the day

Programme Leads

Tim Harris, Steve Margetts, and Tim Rutherford.

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Cost: FREE for SWIFT member schools | £50 for non-members.

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Adaptive Teaching: primary staff meeting series

Starts Tuesday 4 November 2025 | 1545 – 1715 | Online
Nov 4 at 3:45pm

Do you want to establish a high-quality, consistent approach to adaptive teaching across your primary school? SWIFT are collaborating with nasen (National Association for Special Educational Needs) to design a series of staff meetings across the academic year to support primary schools to embed adaptive teaching.

The first session (online) will be for those leading SEND within school to set up and make the training most effective for your staff. Thereafter five sessions will be run online and delivered live into your staffroom every half term.

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SWIFT Sixth Form Professional Community

Thursday 20 November 2025 | 1230 - 1700 | Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre

Programme

Claire Green, Post-16 Skills Specialist, ASCL

Key Policy Updates that Link to Sixth Form Centres, including the Assessment Review: qualifications, curriculum and Ofsted.

Andrew Hunter, Senior Programmes Manager: University Access, Sutton Trust

Sutton Trust Policy and Research into HE Access.

Jon Eaton, Director, Devon Research School

EEF 16-19 Professional Development Guidance.

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All Colleagues: FREE (including lunch!)

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The Maternity Teacher Paternity Teacher (MTPT) Project

The [MTPT Project](#) is the UK's charity for parent-teachers. From humble beginnings as a blog and a Twitter handle, inspiring, empowering and connecting teachers choosing to complete personal and professional development while on parental leave, the MTPT Project has grown into the voice of parent-teachers in the UK.

The charity runs training and networking events, provides 1:1 and group coaching to teachers on leave, and is the only organisation completing research into women aged 30–39 – the largest demographic to leave teaching every year. Since 2016, the MTPT Project has worked to tackle the motherhood penalty in education, to transform education into a sustainable and "life-friendly" career choice for all.

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Professional Communities

Professional Communities bring colleagues together to network, connect with leading practice, hear from expert speakers, and provide mutual support. Held termly, our team of Professional Community Leads provide a high level of expertise, enabling the design of high-quality agendas, recruitment of expert speakers and the identification of local expertise.



- Primary Curriculum & Assessment
- Equality & Diversity
- Primary Languages
- Primary SEND
- School Business Management
- Primary Design Technology
- PSHE
- Primary Art
- Estates Management
- RE
- Sixth Form
- Secondary Leadership
- Secondary Curriculum, Assessment and Data

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Primary and Secondary Subject Leader Briefings

Early Years, Maths, Science and English Subject Briefings for primaries and SEND, Maths, Science and English Subject Briefings for secondaries are designed to provide termly updates, guidance and examples of effective practice, drawing on area and national sources.



Primary Subject Briefings

- Early Years with Phil Armstrong | Early Excellence
- English with Danni Cooke | Ilsham English Hub Lead
- Maths with Josh Lury | CODE Maths Hub
- Science with Carla Bennett

Secondary Subject Briefings

- SEND with Amjad Amid
- Maths with Craig Barton
- Science with Jo Castelino
- English with Jennifer Webb

No charge for SWIFT members.

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EYFS & Primary Courses

CPD sessions, professional communities, briefings and training tailored for early years/primary educators and school staff. Topics span curriculum and assessment, subject leadership, inclusion, wellbeing and safeguarding.

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Secondary & Sixth Form Courses

CPD sessions, professional communities, briefings and training tailored for secondary/sixth form educators and school staff. Topics cover subject leadership & curriculum, assessment, inclusion, wellbeing and safeguarding.

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Other Events for your Diary

Ilisham English Hub

- **Various CPD opportunities**
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Empowering Early Years CPD

- **Various CPD opportunities**
Find more information [HERE](#)

Cambridge Nationals CPD

- **Various CPD opportunities**
Find more information [HERE](#)

Cornerstone English Hub CPD

- **Various CPD opportunities**
Find more information [HERE](#)

Exeter Supply Partnership

- **Primary Supply Recruitment in Devon and Torbay - An Introduction to ESP**
28th October – 10.30am
Open to primary teachers, teaching assistants and nursery practitioners across Devon and Torbay.
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