**Welcome to the weekly Mentor, Trainee and Link Tutor briefing from the Department of Primary and Childhood Education**

**Undergraduate Year 3 Consolidation**

**Week 9: 25th – 29th March**

Hello Mentors, Trainees and Link Tutors!

We have reached Week 9 of Professional Practice and this is the final week before the Spring break. Thank you once again to our Mentors and Link Tutors for supporting our trainees through their placement. Enjoy some well-earned rest over the break to recharge your batteries.

**Partnership Newsletter**

Please follow this [link](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcm.mail.edgehill.ac.uk%2Ft%2Fy-B26940B3D1651C442540EF23F30FEDED&data=05%7C02%7CBen.Thomas%40edgehill.ac.uk%7Cdd88b142186c4cb8ace808dc48f5769b%7C093586914d8e491caa760a5cbd5ba734%7C0%7C0%7C638465466504558343%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ILxe2YhYzJoU3UIdOgUJdWzlZvPRKdezFJC54EWpWSA%3D&reserved=0) to the EHU Partnership Newsletter.

**Attendance Survey**

Trainees will need to complete their attendance survey on InPlace in the final week of placement. Please ensure that this is completed, as this will then be sent to Mentors to confirm. Mentors, please could you confirm attendance as soon as you can after you receive the attendance survey? This will enable your Link Tutor to then begin the process of closing the placement down.

**Feedback Survey**

All mentors will receive a Professional Practice Review survey on InPlace. Keep an eye out for this, please. We use all your feedback to improve our provision, mentor training, link tutoring etc.

**Week 9 Trainee Expectations**

* Joint Planning and Delivery of Whole Class Inputs: 80%
* Group Work, Team Teaching, Training Tasks, Observations: 0%
* Planning, Preparation & Assessment Time: 20%

**Weekly intended curriculum expectations linked to Core Content Framework (CCF)**

The Weekly Development Summary (WDS) for **Week 9** can be located on [Mentor Space](https://sites.edgehill.ac.uk/mentorspace/category/primary-5-11-consolidation/).

The WDS will focus on the following areas this week:

* Understand the expectations of t**eachers who lead aspects of inclusion** including CLA, race, gender and LGBTQ
* Investigate, evaluate and challenge **mental health and wellbeing practices in schools** (children and staff).
* Knows that effective **deployment of support staff is key to maintaining high expectations** of all children and promoting inclusion.
* Be able to **independently analyse, interpret and relate a school’s assessment policy to their own teaching practice**

Please refer to the [Subject Component Tracker](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fsites.edgehill.ac.uk%2Fmentorspace%2Ffiles%2F2023%2F12%2FUG-5-11-FT-Y3-Consolidation-Subject-Component-Tracker.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK) to access the intended curriculum for this week.

**Research and resources**

Here are some resources and links that may be of benefit when engaging in professional dialogue for this week’s WDS.

[**EEF – Improving Social and Emotional Learning in Primary Schools**](https://d2tic4wvo1iusb.cloudfront.net/production/eef-guidance-reports/primary-sel/EEF_SEL_Summary_of_recommendations_poster.pdf?v=1710933957)

This week would be an excellent opportunity for trainees to speak to members of staff with a knowledge of:

* Equality, Diversity and Inclusion
* Assessment
* Mental Health

**Mentors**

* **WDS**: Weekly Development Summary 9, on Mentor Space.
* **Observations & Feedback**: Please use the [feedback suggestions](https://sites.edgehill.ac.uk/mentorspace/support-for-target-setting/primary-target-setting/) available on Mentor Space to help with target setting and wording of observation forms.
* **Queries**: If you have any queries, please contact your Link Tutor who will be happy to assist.

**Link Tutors**

* **QA3 / QA4:** If you have any issues with your joint observations, please let me know. QA4 should not take place until Week 10.
* **Queries**: If you need any additional support or have any specific enquiries, please ask on the Year 3 Link Tutors Teams area or email me directly (ben.thomas@edgehill.ac.uk).

**Trainees**

I am still hosting a weekly drop in on Wednesday from 15.30 – 16.30. We can discuss any placement queries that may exist. Here is the [link.](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3Ameeting_MWI0Yzk1OWYtYWM4NS00YWQzLTljMDMtMGQxZTNkYmZmOWFk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2209358691-4d8e-491c-aa76-0a5cbd5ba734%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%225da7a0f4-2bc4-4141-bd64-df8739d3a2ec%22%7d)

Best wishes,

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