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New website for NW1 Maths Hub

NW1 Maths Hub is proud to announce the launch of our new website at www.nw1mathshub.co.uk. The new website gives teachers and our wider education community, accurate and up-to-date information on the fully funded professional development opportunities provided by the Maths Hub network.



Please check our website regularly for details of how to book on to a wide range of fully funded professional development programmes for early years, primary, secondary and post 16 settings. The website also explains the many benefits for a school in adopting the Teaching for Mastery approach and enables teachers to register their interest for starting their mastery journey in September 2020.



Beth Goodliff, Communications Manager for the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM) stated, "The new website for NW1 Maths Hub is clear, well designed, engaging and interesting. It will be a valuable tool for them in providing up to date and useful information on opportunities available through the Maths Hub network."

Welcome



Well what was a busy term this was mean to be! But unfortunately, despite best laid plans, we have postponed all Maths Hub events and Work Groups due to COVID-19. However disappointing this is, we need to safe guard our community and ensure one another's safety.

I would like to thank Nicola Jordan at Neville Road Junior School in Bramhall and Mike Malone at The Derby High School in Bury, for holding wonderful Teaching for Mastery events, instead of the planned China exchange showcases. These events exemplified the high quality and professionalism of our NW1 Maths Hub Local leaders in Maths Education community, LLME.

This difficult period will pass, and we look forward to continuing our mathematical journey together, to improve the quality of teaching and learning in our schools. Stay safe and look after yourselves and your

Simon Mazumder, NW1 Maths Hub Lead

Important Update

We would like to reassure you that if you currently receive funding from NW1 Maths Hub, this will remain unchanged.

The NCETM are exploring alternative forms of provision and will be in contact with Work Group leads and Specialists.

In order to support maths learning and teaching during school closures, the NCETM have set up a web page for members to access:

https://www.ncetm.org.uk/resources/54430



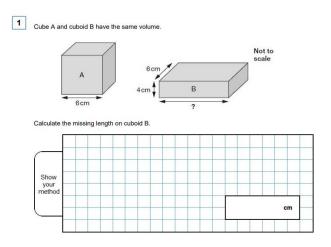
Taster of Mastery in Mathematics Event

Earlier this month, we were delighted to welcome colleagues to Nevill Road Junior School in Bramhall for an interesting and informative mastery session. Judi Cliff, Headteacher at Nevill Road, shared her experience of the Teaching for Mastery approach which they started in years 3 and 4. She explained how the mastery approach has especially challenged higher ability children, since it requires them to explain their actions and understanding in a deeper context.

Imogen Furlong, NW1 Maths Hub Primary lead, shared successes of Teaching for Mastery, including some very positive feedback about the teaching of maths, following an OFSTED inspection at her school in January.

'Leaders have developed a new approach to teaching mathematics. This meets the needs of pupils in the school. As in reading, pupils now build on the secure mathematical knowledge that children develop in the early years. Teachers help pupils to develop a deep understanding of each mathematical concept. This is particularly true for pupils with SEND. Pupils recall facts easily. This helps them complete their work with fewer errors.' OFSTED – Offley Primary Academy

To illustrate how a mastery approach encourages children to look at different ways of answering a question, she presented attendees with the following question which prompted a lively discussion!



We would like to thank all the schools who expressed interest at the event, in starting the Mastery Readiness programme in September 2020. If your school would like to join too, please contact us for an application form.

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Secondary mastery demonstration lesson



It was a great pleasure to offer secondary colleagues the opportunity to observe a year 7 mixed ability surds lesson taught at The Derby High School in Bramhall.

Mike Malone shared key learning points from his Shanghai Exchange visit in November 2019 and presented some year 8 lesson case studies on variation.

We have received lots of positive feedback about this event and will look to incorporate similar opportunities into our schedule for the next academic year.

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