

We trust you are looking forward to what is a well-deserved summer break. Appreciating that some of you are closer to your holidays than others therefore we will share another update with you next week, however this will be the final update until August 23rd.

Please also note that your weekly regional updates will now come to you from Ellen Lee Ellen.Lee@sdsa.net so please add these contact details to your approved email list.

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Strategic School Improvement Fund: Emergency Fund

Just to make you aware that applications for emergency funds through the SSIF are still being accepted. We are aware that eligibility criteria are tight and therefore we advise that you check the criteria (link below) before submitting an application.

Details on the Gov website:

In the event of an emergency, we will consider applications to the Strategic School Improvement Fund to support an individual school, as opposed to a group of schools, if the supported schools meets the [eligibility criteria for emergency funding](#). Emergency funding will only be considered in exceptional circumstances and is intended to address:

- unexpected or imminent failure
- unexpected withdrawal of planned/existing support to address failure/imminent failure, or
- Failure where other long-term support options are not feasible

Please email ssif.enquires@education.gov.uk to request an application form.

Examples of pupil's work for exemplification materials

The Standards and Testing Agency is planning to provide schools with updated exemplification materials next year and need good examples of pupils' work. NCTL is looking for portfolios of pupil work in key stage 1 English writing. If you think your school, or any in teaching school alliances in your area, might be able to provide STA with pupil work please send a completed version of the attached confidentiality form to STA.TEACHERASSESSMENT@education.gov.uk by the end of 10 July, and they will contact the school with further details. Thank you.

International Recruitment Framework

NCTL is launching a tender process on Monday 10th July 2017 and would welcome bids from networks including teaching school alliances. The framework will assist schools in training and supporting international teachers in shortage priority subjects such as mathematics, physics and modern foreign languages. Further information can be found at <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/dea96121-15ee-467f-9d4c-d6f420697645>. A WebEx event providing further information will be held on 18th July and if you wish to attend this event please register your interest at international.framework@education.gov.uk.

System Leader Report

The [July monthly report](#), published by the DfE, including the number of system leaders designated by the National College for Teaching and Leadership is now available. This includes:

- national leaders of education (NLEs)
- teaching schools
- teaching school alliances
- national leaders of governance (NLGs)

Updating Teaching School details via the portal

Can we ask that you please take a few moments to check your teaching schools' information on the portal and let us know if there are any changes to your circumstances

<http://www.emtsa.org.uk/schools>.

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