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NQT Support Saturday- Saturday 13th October

Dear NQTs and RQTs, I am writing to invite you to an exciting free conference for all NQTs. We are holding our NQT Support Saturday event on Saturday October 13th at our Headingley Campus.

The conference's theme is 'Supercharging your development as a new teacher' and will enable you to concentrate on your early career development.



Our Keynote lecture is being delivered by Hannah Wilson who will be talking about life as an NQT and what you can do to take , Hannah Wilson is the Executive Headteacher of Aureus School & Aureus Primary School, part of the GLF Schools trust.

She is the Strategic Lead for the GLF Teaching School Alliance and the Sub-Regional Strategic Lead for the SE Women Leading in Education Network for Oxon, Berks and Bucks (NCTL).

Hannah Co-Founded a grassroots gender equality movement and is a National Leader for #WomenEd. She is a DfE coach for the Women Leading in Education initiative and is an advocate for flexible working.

Passionate about collaboration Hannah was delighted to be invited to be made an Associate for [Leadership Matters](#) and [VBE](#).

As the founding Headteacher of two new STEAM schools Hannah has recruited a dynamic team who are passionate about values-based education. With Diversity, Equality and Wellbeing as three of the [Rights Respecting Schools'](#) core values, she is committed to a holistic approach to the development of the whole child including daily mindfulness sessions, weekly gratitude practice and a reflective coaching culture for the whole community. Both schools are safe, inclusive spaces for all students, following the [Pivotal Way](#) for behaviour for learning and are proud to be [Educate and Celebrate partners](#).



Our second keynote lecture is being delivered by Professor Rachel Lofthouse. Rachel's lecture is entitled 'Connect, collaborate and co-construct; making the most of being mentored'

You've stepped in to your first job, you have new responsibilities, and you need to be successful even though some days you will feel like hiding under the desk. In this interactive lecture we will consider how to get your mentor onside and how to sustain mentoring as a virtuous circle of professional learning and development.

Rachel joined Leeds Beckett University in July 2017, and has established the Research and Practice Centre 'CollectivED: The Mentoring and Coaching Hub'.

Rachel is a teaching educator and researcher. Her interest starts with student teachers, but extends to teachers and educators at all career stages and in all sectors. Ensuring that teachers keep learning is critical when the policy and practice landscapes of education keep shifting. Rachel has a particular interest in how teachers learn through approaches such as coaching, mentoring, lesson study, professional enquiry and inter-professional practice. She marries these interests with a concern for the development of innovative pedagogies and curriculum design. Key to all of these are the opportunities for that professionals at all stages of their career and in all roles have for dialogue and creative and critical thinking.

Rachel encourages professionals to find practices through which they can build their workplace expertise while developing critical reflection and their ability to contribute to, and draw productively on, the knowledge base for teaching and learning. Rachel has published in peer-reviewed journals on the subjects of coaching and mentoring, the innovative use of video to support practice development, practitioner enquiry and professional learning. She also writes regularly for professional publications and websites. Through these diverse roles she supports individuals to make a positive impact on the educational outcomes for their own learners and communities.

We are really excited to offer you this free conference which we really hope will enable you to take you NQT and RQT year to the next level.