

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TLP CPD GROUP
Thursday 26th May 2011

GROUP MEMBERS :

Barbara Berks (Chair), Moira Hope (CD Coordinator), Jan Mc Carthy, Sarah Loader, Barney Rycroft, Debbie Barratt, Ralph Bullock

TLP GROUP MEETINGS

Moira fed back from the first meeting of the new SEN Group. It had gone well with 13 attendees. There had been some initial concern from the SENST Team but e mails from BB and MH had alleviated concerns – as with the other groups the TLP meeting will be for sharing expertise and networking with the agenda being set by the group. Next meeting is planned for June 29th.

Minutes had been sent to all TLP Head teachers and , where possible , SENCO's .

This generated discussion as to whether all Group minutes should be sent to individual members as well as Head teachers, to ensure that all TLP staff are informed about the meetings. It was agreed that Moira will arrange for a data base to be completed by all TLP Heads so that this can be facilitated from next term. The importance of staggering dates was also discussed so that staff are not out of school too often in the same half term .

NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRAINING

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT – Moira asked the group to consider offering Behaviour Management training next year. This has been developed by Helen Millard and has been successfully trialled at Trull. This would be a half days training and would be offered to specific groups – ie. NQT's , other teachers and Support Staff. Training would also be offered to schools for an After school session. It was felt that this would be well received and met a need, particularly as NQT training has been limited to the conference next year. A fee of £40 per person for the half day training was considered reasonable with the school who provided the venue going free. A flat rate would be agreed for an After school session dependant on the size of the school.

Moira agreed to check the date of the NQT training before setting the date for this training to avoid a clash . She will circulate a flyer to gauge interest after half term with plans to offer the training in the Autumn Term.

Ralph queried what the position was with MDSA training – Moira confirmed that the first cohort (65 staff) had finished and that we were half way through a second cohort.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING – Barbara fed back on a meeting she had attended with SCIL re Leadership training. It was felt that Leadership training, especially for Middle Managers, is something we need to address as there is very little available. Group members agreed to research what external courses they could find and feedback to Moira. Barbara volunteered to speak with National College trainers about bespoke training. Moira would circulate Heads to see what they would like.

NVQ training for Support Staff was mentioned – Moira to research.