Opportunities for schools and early years

NEW Early Years Leaders Programme

In October City Hall will be inviting proposals to deliver an **Early Years Leaders Programme** from January 2019 to December 2020. By upskilling early years practitioners and increasing their confidence, leadership and management skills we aim to improve outcomes for children, particularly those from less advantaged backgrounds. It will be based on a coaching model and include sharing best practice.

We will be holding an information session for interested organisations on 5 October. If you are interested in attending or want to find out more, please contact: <u>Magda.Balicka@london.gov.uk</u>.

NEW London Early Years Campaign

We want more families to have access to quality early education and childcare. City Hall will run **London Early** Years Campaign to raise awareness of free early years entitlements, consisting of a pan-London social media campaign and a small grants round to pilot creative activities to engage local families. The application process for the small grants round will open in October.

We will be holding an information session for organisations interested applying for small grants on 12 October. If you are interested in attending or want to find out more, please contact: <u>Magda.Balicka@london.gov.uk</u>.

Find out more about our work on the early years policy area at: london.gov.uk/early-years

NEW London Curriculum Citizenship and Career resources

For primary schools, we are launching five new Family Explorer Trails this term, to be used with their teacher or their parents/carers. The trails encourage families to explore London's unique history and culture and have an additional focus on the world of work to encourage children to learn about different jobs in London: london.gov.uk/familytrails

For secondary schools, we will launch new KS3 teaching resources for schools this term to support better engagement with citizenship activity and to prepare young people for voting and participation in civic life. This will bring us up to nearly 30 London Curriculum subject resources.

Sign-Up to the London Curriculum Use the capital to bring the national curriculum to life at key stages 2 and 3. Join the programme and access a wide range of **free teaching resources** to inspire your students. Enjoy London Curriculum Lates (for teachers) and great pupil activities: <u>london.gov.uk/london-curriculum</u>

£45 million Young Londoners Fund

The Mayor has created the Young Londoners Fund to help London's children and young adults make the most of our amazing city. It will help vulnerable children and young adults develop new skills and take part in London's opportunities; sport, culture, citizenship, environment, education and volunteering, to support better life chances by overcoming school exclusion, involvement in crime and other barriers.

Successful small grant applicants have been notified and will deliver from October 2018 until September 2021. Many will support children at risk of disengaging from school and they will be delivering right across London. Details can be found at <u>www.london.gov.uk/young-londoners-fund</u>. Medium and large grant applicants will hear in October and then deliver from January 2019 until December 2021. A second funding round will be announced in May 2019.

130 young people from projects across London have been involved already in assessing Young Londoner Fund applications and presenting to the Mayor's team. Stay in touch through our interactive map <u>www.london.gov/our-london</u> and sign up for updates: <u>london.gov.uk/young-londoners-fund</u>

Make London your classroom

Mayor's London Scientist pupil project and award

The Mayor's London Scientist programme encourages young Londoners to undertake real-life science projects that are important to them and their city. In 2018, it is providing funding for 5,000 students underrepresented in STEM to enter their science projects for the national CREST Award and receive a certificate of recognition from the Mayor. Find out more: london.gov.uk/scientist

RE:CODE London Workshops

The London Curriculum teamed up with the LEGO® Group and the Institute of Imagination to inspire the next generation of technologists and coders. Interactive, hands-on events are run for young Londoners aged 9-11 to take on a real-world coding task. During 2017/18 over 3,000 pupils took part in our award-winning sessions to

build, code and learn with Milo the robot to tackle some of our city's challenges. Read more: <u>london.gov.uk/recode-london</u>

Supporting schools' teachers and leaders

City Hall is continuing to support the Teaching Schools Council on **teacher recruitment and retention** through **Teach London**. We will re-fresh our webpages (<u>london.gov.uk/teach-london</u>) in November and include the Mayor pledge to support the **TES's #LetThemTeach campaign** to put the entire teaching profession on the shortage occupation list for visas.

Schools for Success: school led events

London schools can learn from the expertise of the Mayor's Schools for Success, who were selected by the Mayor based on the exceptional progress they have made with low prior attaining pupils. To find out more or to arrange visits or attend free events, visit <u>london.gov.uk/schools-for-success</u> The second cohort of schools will be announced in October 2018.

Getting Ahead London: creating London's next headteachers

Now in its third year supporting a further 60 senior leaders into headship during 2018/19, this year's participants come from 23 boroughs, 70% are women and just over half are from a BAME group. <u>london.gov.uk/gettingahead</u>

FREE Toolkits and Resources

The London Teacher Innovation Fund kick-started 11 innovative educational projects across the capital, all seeking to raise pupil attainment by creating fantastic new teaching resources. Find out more at: london.gov.uk/what-we-do/education-and-youth/improving-standards-schools-and-teaching/london-teacher-innovation

Our 17 **Subject Knowledge Hubs** provided opportunities for teachers to work together alongside subject and business experts to support excellent teaching in London schools. See <u>london.gov.uk/hubs</u> for more information, free resources and contact details.

Stepping Stones Primary to Secondary programme supports successful transition from primary. The toolkit and evaluation helps other schools replicate Stepping Stones successful peer mentoring, summer school and academic support. The programme was developed by and piloted in 2016/17 by Gladesmore Community School, Urswick School, Heathcote School and Science College and their feeder primary schools. 15 more schools are now being supported to deliver Stepping Stones, funded through the Young Londoners Fund <u>london.gov.uk/stepping-stones</u>

Skills for London

NEW London's Enterprise Adviser programme is expanding with the aim to support all London's secondary schools by 2020. Delivered by Team London on behalf of the Careers and Enterprise Company, Enterprise Advisers are trained volunteers from business who work with teachers to develop and implement a whole school careers education plan. If you are interested, please email <u>EnterpriseAdvisers@london.gov.uk</u>. Find out more at: <u>london.gov.uk/what-we-do/volunteering/reducing-barriers-social-mobility/enterprise-advisers</u>

Schools, colleges and businesses are working together in 12 **Careers Clusters** across London to pilot sustained employer activities for pupils, helping teachers understand London's job opportunities and matching and supporting pupils into work placements and internships. Further funding has been announced to extend the Clusters to March 2019 and to open them up to new schools and colleges. Find out more at: <u>london.gov.uk/careers-clusters</u>

The London Ambitions portal helps schools, colleges and employers to connect – providing experience of the world of work for 4-18 years olds. It's a great way for teachers to explore the careers London has to offer for their students. Sign-up for free at <u>london.gov.uk/ambitions</u>

Look out for the ESF Youth Programme – With youth unemployment higher in London than elsewhere, young people aged 16 to 24 need extra help to get into sustained employment, education or training. A new GLA ESF programme will be advertised in October 2018. The current programme includes Getting Back on Track which helps young people who have recently dropped out from their level 2/3 studies at school or college and Care Leavers into Work led by Drive Forward Foundation to support care leavers into sustained employment in Lambeth, Hackney and Haringey.

Sign-Up for the Mayor's Schools newsletter

Sign up to our termly newsletter with all the latest news, opportunities, resources and events for London schools at <u>london.gov.uk/schoolsnewsletter</u>