

NTP Update

NTP Tuition Partners

Since 02/11/2020, all state schools in England have had the opportunity to access subsidised, high-quality tuition from a list of 32 “Tuition Partners”: providers approved by the Education Endowment Foundation, all of whom having met rigorous quality, safeguarding and evaluation standards.

Schools have been able to choose between different tutoring providers and a variety of models to best suit their needs (including face-to-face and online tutoring).

The government continues to fund up to 75% of the costs associated with Tutoring, with individual schools responsible for making up the remaining 25% (the costs of which, the NTP suggests, could be paid for from a school’s universal catch up premium allocation). By way of example, in some cases tutoring could cost as little as £50 per pupil for a block of 15 sessions delivered in small groups of three pupils.

There is extensive evidence on the positive impact tutoring can have on attainment and progress. The EEF’s Teaching and Learning Toolkit, for example, identifies tutoring as an approach that can improve learning by, on average, five additional months’ progress over the course of a year.

We know that tutoring works most effectively when sessions are aligned with the school curriculum and guided by the classroom teacher, therefore schools are encouraged to use their discretion in terms of the content and timing of the sessions. The key subject areas of focus covered by the Tutoring Programme are:

Primary: English, Maths and Science

Secondary: English, Maths, Humanities, Science and MFL

To search for Tutoring available, settings are encouraged to use the “Find a Tuition Partner” feature on the NTP website. This then links to a series of questions which help settings refine their search and lists those providers within their area who are available to provide tutoring services that best suit their individual need. On selecting a tuition partner, settings are provided with full details of their offer, together with links to further information and how to access the offer.

For advice on how to access Tutoring, details of providers, models, costs and best practice in terms of how to use Tutors effectively, visit the NTP website at:

<https://nationaltutoring.org.uk/ntp-tuition-partners>

The next National NTP Webinar is on Tuesday 23rd March, **however we have arranged a regional webinar for settings within the Duchy on Wednesday 31st March at 4pm, where you can hear directly from Tuition Partners and learn more about the programme and how it is subsidised.**

To register for this webinar, sign up here

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hawUhFdtRJa8vWzv5JOYag

If you are already accessing Tutoring through the NTP Tuition Partners pillar, we’d like to hear from you to discuss your experiences so far and any early impact of the intervention.

Please get in touch with us at schooleffectiveness@cornwall.gov.uk to share your experiences or to seek support and guidance from us on any element of the NTP.

NTP Academic Mentors

Applications to become an Academic Mentor and for schools to hire a mentor have now closed for 2020/21, however with funding secured for the following academic year, settings should be alert to further announcements in respect of eligibility and access arrangements for further waves of Academic Mentors.

Again, we would be very interested in hearing from eligible schools who have already had Mentors placed with them to learn more about their experiences, as well as from any schools who are aware that they have met the eligibility criteria, but have chosen not to take up the opportunity to have a Mentor placed with them, and the reasons behind this.

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