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1. Strategic Information and Actions

1.1 Alternative Provision Survey

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As part of the Inclusion agenda, we are looking to improve the support for schools considering AP. To do this we need to know the current position regarding AP, its current usage and what is needed. In order to share your views, we are asking SENCOs in all schools to complete this short survey by 19 October 26. The QR code to the survey can be found here. Your co-operation is much appreciated. Link: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=E C25zcsjwUqpszT0-qooUXvi36IDDF9Osq6U7ujpuIFUQjJHNjhYRjBQUVpSVVdERDRGV0YySlk1Uy4u&embed=true	Headteachers and SENCO	For Information & Action

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1.2 Changes to DBS Requirements September 2026

Content	Audience	Purpose
Schools are reminded that changes to the definition of regulated activity requires regular volunteers (more than 3 days in a 30-day period) to have an enhanced DBS and barred list check. The supervision exemption has been removed. This change has no impact on the DBS requirements for employed staff as they have always required an enhanced DBS and barred list check. It also has no impact on the requirements for Cheshire East staff visiting the school in a professional capacity. Cheshire East Council staff who visit schools and who have unsupervised contact with children will have had an appropriate DBS check conducted by their employing service. Keeping Children Safe in Education paragraph 378 says: For visitors who are there in a professional capacity, schools and colleges should check ID and be assured that the visitor has had the appropriate DBS check depending on the activity they are there to carry out (or that the visitor's employers have confirmed that their staff have appropriate checks. Schools and colleges should not ask to see the certificate in these circumstances).	Headteachers, School Business Managers, Governing Boards	For Information

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1.3 Teachers' Model Pay Policy 2026

Content	Audience	Purpose
The statutory consultation to respond to the proposed pay award (draft School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document 2026) ended on 23 September 2026. Once the Government has had time to consider the consultation responses, the final STPCD 2026 will be laid in parliament for 21 calendar days to enable Members of Parliament to raise any objections. The DfE have estimated this will take place around the 16 October 2026. The Department for Education is expected to publish the final, updated STPCD 2026 around 6 November 2026 (1 September 2026 implementation date). The model pay policy has been drafted based on the draft STPCD and we are currently consulting with Trade Unions. We expect it to be available after October half-term.	All schools, Academies and MAT's	For Information

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1.4 Changes to Probation Policy: Support Staff

Content	Audience	Purpose
All maintained schools, and academies that purchase the Education HR Consultancy service, are reminded that the Cheshire East probationary period for support staff has been reduced from 25 weeks to 3 months. This change applies to support staff who commenced employment on or after 1 July 2026. This amendment has been introduced in response to forthcoming changes in employment legislation, which will reduce the qualifying service period required for employees to bring an unfair dismissal claim from two years to six months, with effect from 1 January 2027. To support schools in managing probationary employees effectively, Education HR has updated the Probation Policy for Support Staff. The reduced probationary period provides managers with sufficient time to: • <i>Identify any performance or conduct concerns at an early stage.</i> • <i>Put appropriate support and guidance in place.</i> • <i>Review and monitor progress.</i> • <i>Complete any necessary formal processes before the legal risk associated with dismissal significantly increases.</i> The updated policy, together with the associated letters and forms, is available on ChESS for buy-back schools to adopt.	Headteachers ; School Business Managers; Governing Boards	For Information

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1.5 DfE Update: Pupil premium allocations for 2026/27 financial year

Content	Audience	Purpose
The DfE have recently published the quarter 2 update for pupil premium allocations for 2026 to 2027 financial year. Schools are reminded that they must follow the terms and conditions set out in the latest pupil premium conditions of grant. Should schools or academies have any questions, please contact the DfE via their Customer Help Portal. Link: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6ab0f5733f8e4e96a6a66a8e/pupil-premium-allocations-for-the-2026-to-2027-financial-year-september-2026.xlsx	School & Academy Leaders; School Business Managers	For Information & Action

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1.6 Financial Benchmarking and Insights Tool: New data now live

Content	Audience	Purpose
The latest financial data for local authority-maintained schools (2025/26) is now available in the Financial Benchmarking and Insights Tool (FBIT). The FBIT is a useful resource for benchmarking spending and identifying opportunities for improvement, as used by 98% of schools in the last year. If you are new to FBIT, or would appreciate a brief introduction to its features, you can sign up to join one of the DfE's free webinars below: • Wednesday 7 October 2026, 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Tuesday 13 October 2026, 3:00pm - 4:00pm • Thursday 5 November 2026, 3:30pm - 4:30pm • Tuesday 24 November 2026, 3:00pm - 4:00pm Link: Register on Eventbrite	School & Academy Leaders	For Information & Action

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1.7 Keeping your school healthy: Resources & Chief Medical Officer letter

Content	Audience	Purpose
<u>Letter from the Chief Medical Officer</u> England's Chief Medical Officer, Professor Chris Whitty, has written a letter to school and Trust leaders, thanking both leaders and staff. for the key role they play in supporting the health and wellbeing of children and young people, including supporting and facilitating vaccination programmes. <u>Reducing the spread of seasonal illness in your school this autumn/winter</u> Illness is the largest cause of school absence. Over 50 million days were lost in 2025/26 due to illness, almost half of all absence! Simple things like regular hand washing, opening windows and supporting vaccination help keep children and staff healthy and support attendance. Read more from Professor Russell Viner on the Education Hub blog. Doing these things now will reinforce good habits before illnesses start to circulate. You can find resources to help talk to children (in Key Stages 1-3) about what actions they can take on the UK Health Security Agency's website. <u>Who should I contact for concerns about infectious disease incidents?</u> Please contact the Infection Prevention and Control Team at Cheshire & Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (CWP) at cwp.ipct.admin@nhs.net or telephone 01244 397700, 9:00am-5:00pm Monday-Friday (excluding Bank Holidays). or UKHSA Cheshire & Merseyside Health Protection Team (UKHSA HPT) at candmhpu@ukhsa.gov.uk or telephone 03442 250562, option 2 (North West HPT), for both in and out of hours. <u>Communicating with parents about illness</u> There are a range of materials available to support with health and attendance-related messages throughout the year. You could use these at parents' information evenings, in newsletters, or on your social media channels. These include:	Schools	For Information

• Our guide to communicating with parents about attendance, with ready-made, evidence-based resources, such as • an animation on school absence due to illness • an NHS poster on illness decisions to share with parents directly and support staff in conversations with parents • NHS communications products for encouraging flu vaccine uptake, that can be downloaded after registering with the portal. • You can direct parents to the NHS Is my child too ill for school? guidance and use the communications resources in this section to support your conversations with parents.		
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1.8 Supporting vaccination programmes in schools, including the seasonal flu programme

Content	Audience	Purpose
The start of the autumn term marks the beginning of the school-based seasonal influenza (flu) vaccination programme. Last autumn, more than 4.1 million children were vaccinated against flu, the highest uptake to date, but this is still only just over half of those eligible at 52.5%. Vaccination is one of the most effective ways of protecting children and young people from serious disease, helping to keep schools and communities healthy while supporting pupil attendance. If you have not already done so, please ensure your seasonal flu vaccination session is booked with the School Age Immunisation Service provider (Intrahealth) via telephone on 03333 583397 Option 7 or via email at Imms.W-Chester-CW@intrahealth.co.uk. <u>New Digital Consent System for School Vaccinations</u> This year, the School Aged Immunisation Service (SAIS) will be using Mavis, a new digital consent system for school vaccination programmes. Consent forms will be sent directly to parents and carers by the immunisation team. This aims to make the consent process simpler, and more convenient for families and schools. Mavis is approved by NHS England and meets all NHS data protection and security standards. <u>What SAIS will we need from schools?</u> The immunisation team will ensure that your school's Unique Reference Number (URN) is recorded on Mavis. We ask that you ensure your school's GIAS (Get Information about Schools) details are accurate and up to date. To enable direct communication with parents, schools will be asked to provide an up-to-date class list for pupils within the vaccination target range. This should include the child's name, date of birth, address, and parent or carer contact details. <u>Availability of translations of the information leaflet</u> There are leaflets and posters which provide more information for parents on the vaccine, including how it works and information on those children who are unable to have it. These are available in multiple languages and can be ordered for free. If there are a	Schools	For Information

number of parents at your school for whom English is not their first language, let the immunisation team know and they should be able to provide translated versions of materials.

To support all vaccination programmes for children and young people, UKHSA has published guidance on [supporting immunisation programmes for children and young people](#), which provides practical advice on working effectively with immunisation teams and includes resources to support delivery.

We have also published DfE's [data protection in schools' guidance](#), which includes information on the legal basis schools can use when sharing data with immunisation providers to support the consent process.

UKHSA has also developed new resources about vaccinating children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). These include [guidance for specialist providers and SEND coordinators in mainstream schools](#), alongside [information for parents and carers of children with SEND](#). Schools are encouraged to share these materials with relevant staff and families.

It's not too late to catch up on missed vaccines you remain eligible for. Please [share our Reception-age catch-up vaccination resources](#) with families and work with your immunisation provider to help make sure as many eligible pupils as possible receive their vaccinations.

Sign up to our vaccination webinar

In partnership with UKHSA, NHS England and the Department of Health and Social Care, we are running a joint vaccination webinar for school leaders, teachers and school vaccination leads on **Wednesday 14 October 2026** at 4:00pm-5:15pm. Register your place for the Webinar [here](#).

You'll hear from health experts about the vital role schools play in protecting children's health and reducing inequalities through the adolescent immunisation programmes and school-based catch-up. With measles cases on the rise since 2023, you'll also learn how your school can support the national effort to eradicate the disease and prevent outbreaks.

In case you missed it, you can watch a [recording of our recent webinar about the school flu vaccination programme](#).

Contact: comms@service.education.gov.uk

1.9 New Headteacher Conference: Feedback

Content	Audience	Purpose
It was great to welcome 17 new and recently appointed headteachers at last week's conference, where they had the opportunity to network with one another and meet some key members of the LA Children's Services Team. Feedback from the group was for us to share our newly created Headteacher induction booklet with all heads. We hope you find this useful. The booklet includes important information, alongside some key dates for Headteachers. Link: https://live-chesheast.cloud.contensis.com/pdf/schools/bulletins/documents-for-bulletins-2026/september/new-headteacher-induction-booklet-september-2026.pdf	Headteachers	For Information

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2. Training and Wider Development Opportunities

2.1 Governor Training on Cared for Children: 13 October 2026

Content	Audience	Purpose
On Tuesday 13 October 2026, we are running a live, online training session for governors/trustees on 'Cared for Children: The Role of the Board'. The course will be held from 6:00pm -7:30pm, via MS Teams. There are many reasons why children and young people become cared for by the local authority. However, schools play a vital role in providing Cared for Children with experiences to help them achieve their full potential. This session will be delivered by senior leaders of the Cheshire East Council's Virtual School and aims to provide governors/trustees with an understanding of the needs of Cared for Children (incl. children with a social worker) and how they can best support the learning and achievement of these children within their schools. Please consider whether this training would be valuable for a member of your board to attend. For more details or to book a place, please go to the 'Training' tab in GovernorHub or email the School Governance & Liaison Team. <i>This course is free to schools and academies who have purchased the CE Governor CPD Training package via ChESS Hub. For non-purchasing schools and academies, the charge is £75 per delegate.</i>	Headteachers; Chairs of Governors	CPD for Governors/ Trustees

Contact: School Governance: schoolgovernance@cheshireeast.gov.uk

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2.2 Governors' Conference 2026: FREE places available

Content	Audience	Purpose
Our annual Governors' Conference will take place on Friday 16 October 2026 from 9:00am – 1:00pm at Cranage Hall and we are providing 1 x FREE delegate place per CE school – plus an additional free delegate place is available to schools that have purchased the CE Governor CPD Training package for 2026-27. * The event provides governors/trustees with an opportunity to network, whilst receiving updates on both national educational developments and key local authority initiatives. Please see this link for further details and the event programme. Our keynote speaker will be Dr Peter Buzzi, a leading authority in safeguarding, well-being, and restorative trauma-informed approaches. Peter is the director of Digital Safeguarding UK and is currently leading a national research and practice development project involving inter-government and national organisations in England. Having previously led various largescale public and private sector research and transformation projects in several countries including the USA, Japan and the EU, his upcoming books include 'Growing up and Parenting in the age of Social Media and Anxiety' and 'Social Media and Mental Health'. The conference will also include a LA update from Helen Wallace, our Director of Education, Skills and Inclusion alongside information on Cheshire East' Best Start in Life Programme, an introduction to Trauma-Informed whole-school practice and building a curriculum that supports children's mental health and wellbeing. Bookings can be made via Governor Hub or by emailing the School Governance & Liaison Conference costs: 1 x FREE delegate place per CE school. <i>An additional free delegate place is available to schools that have purchased the CE Governor CPD Training package for 2026-27*. Additional delegate places for non-buy-back schools will be charged at £40 per delegate*. * Subject to availability</i>	All School Leaders; Chairs of Governors/ Trustees	For Information & Action

Contact: School Governance: schoolgovernance@cheshireeast.gov.uk

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2.3 NEW TO ROLE Designated Teacher Training: 14 October 2026

Content	Audience	Purpose
The Cheshire East Virtual School would like to invite any Designated Teachers who are new to their role to attend our annual New to Role training on Wednesday 14 October, 4:15pm to 5:15pm. The training will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and will provide a valuable opportunity to learn more about your statutory responsibilities, your role during Ofsted inspections, and best practice in relation to Personal Education Plans (PEPs). If you would like to attend, please RSVP by replying to VSTraining@cheshireeast.gov.uk We will then add you to the attendee list and send a meeting invitation with link to join in due course Link: https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/live-well-search-results.aspx?search_keywords=virtual%20school	Headteachers, Deputy Heads, Senco's, Pastoral staff, Designated Teachers for cared for children	For Information

Contact: Deborah Bradbury: deborah.bradbury@cheshireeast.gov.uk

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2.4 FREE Inclusive Teaching & Learning for TAs and ECTs: 15 October

Content	Audience	Purpose
Following on from four successful years of delivery, the 6-day Inclusive Teaching and Learning course is being delivered again this year. The course is part of the Inclusion Team's free Universal Offer. This course starts on the 15 October 2026 and is a face-to-face session, being held at Holmes Chapel Community Centre. Places are still available so book now. We hope to see you there. Link: https://chesshub.co.uk/Event/310605	Schools, teachers, teaching assistants	CPD

Contact: Andrea Phelps-Brown: andrea.phelps-brown@cheshireeast.gov.uk

2.5 Cheshire East Council Public Health team: support sessions

Content	Audience	Purpose
Cheshire East Council Public Health (PH) team are offering a series of pilot support sessions, designed to be practical, flexible, and directly relevant to school settings: 1. How to Seek Help During an Outbreak Knowing when and how to seek support during a potential outbreak can be challenging, particularly when managing competing pressures. This session is designed for business staff (or anyone you deem appropriate) for setting the foundation of a calm and consistent response during outbreak scenarios, and focuses on providing clear and practical guidance on: <i>recognising when something may need further advice (e.g. rising absences, clusters of similar symptoms)</i> <i>when to seek help and who to contact (UK Health Security Agency 'UKHSA' and IPC teams)</i> <i>what information to prepare before making contact</i> <i>steps schools can take early to reduce spread and prevent escalation</i> 2. Supporting Prevention Through the Curriculum (e-Bug) Alongside outbreak management, PH team also offer a light-touch session for teaching staff focused on prevention. This is not intended to add new content, but to support staff in delivering existing curriculum content using ready-made, curriculum-aligned e-Bug resources. 'E-Bug' is a resource developed by the UK Health Security Agency (formerly Public Health England) and aligns with school curriculums through Key Stages 1-4. The aim is to influence simple behaviour changes to reduce/prevent infection with a broader goal to reduce inappropriate antibiotic use and the burden of antimicrobial resistance (AMR). The session includes: <i>a short overview of key topics (respiratory & hand hygiene, vaccination, microbes, antibiotics & AMR)</i> <i>a demonstration of ready-to-use teaching materials</i> <i>practical ways to embed content into existing lessons</i>	Schools	School Staff Training

What's next? Schools can choose to engage with one of the sessions or both. We can deliver them in-person or virtually (via MS Teams) and each session runs for one hour. Please let us know your preference and a date for when you think this would be most helpful. Please contact Osama.Hussein@cheshireeast.gov.uk to confirm your interest and availability.		
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2.6 REMINDER: Establishment Portal Training Sessions

Content	Audience	Purpose
Please note that the closing date to make an application for a child to transfer to Secondary school in September 2027 is Saturday 31 October 2026. Schools will be able to enter their criterion on the Establishment Portal from 23 November 2026. The School Admissions team would like to offer schools the opportunity to have some Establishments Portal training sessions for September 2027 applications. The sessions are aimed at Admissions Officers, Headteachers, Senior Leaders and Administrators/Bursars who have access to the Establishment Portal and take part in the admissions process for round applications. We have scheduled them in line with our key dates for when schools will need to start putting in their criterion. We will be doing two sessions for Secondary. You can register for the sessions by clicking the links below. • 9 November 2026 – 2pm – 3pm Register Here • 12 November 2026 – 10am – 11am Register Here If you need help registering for the event, please contact School Admissions (admissions@cheshireeast.gov.uk) including the details of the session you wish to attend. A link to your chosen session will be sent to you.	Primary and Secondary schools	Information & Action

Contact: admissions@cheshireeast.gov.uk

2.7 Sensory Inclusion Service - Glue Ear drop-in: 04 November

Content	Audience	Purpose
The Sensory Inclusion Service are providing a Q & A session based on the online resource 'How to support Children and Young People in setting with Glue Ear' on Wednesday 04 November 2026. This session will be delivered via Microsoft Teams at 3:30pm. Link: https://chesshub.co.uk/Event/311917 https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/pdf/livewell/local-offer-for-children-with-sen/send-contact-details/glue-ear-support-for-children-young-people-in-schools-and-settings.pdf	Teachers and support staff who work with children and young people with glue ear	For Information

Contact: Clare O'Connor: sensoryinclusionservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk

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2.8 Introduction to Sensory Impairment: 18 November 2026

Content	Audience	Purpose
The Sensory Inclusion Service are providing an 'Introduction to Sensory Impairment (Hearing loss / Visual Impairment / Multi-Sensory Impairment) and the Sensory Inclusion Service' on Wednesday 18 November 2026. This training sessions gives a brief overview of the work of the Sensory Inclusion Service and the needs of children and young people with hearing loss and/or visual impairment. Please book via the ChESS hub, via the link below. Link: https://chesshub.co.uk/Event/311921	Teachers and support staff	For Information

Contact: Clare O'Connor: sensoryinclusionservice@cheshireeast.gov.uk

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2.9 Upcoming Health & Safety and First Aid training courses

Content	Audience	Purpose	
PLEASE BOOK via ChESS HUB		Headteachers, Site Maintenance Officers, Caretakers and First Aiders	To gain an accredited qualification in Health and Safety / First Aid
Course details	Venue & date 2026		
Paediatric First Aid (blended learning) (6 hours e-learning and 6 hours face-to-face training) £104 per delegate THIS COURSE IS FOR TREATING INFANTS & CHILDREN (ages 0 to 16)	Macclesfield Town Hall Wednesday 7 October Municipal Buildings, Crewe Tuesday 13 October		
Emergency First Aid at Work £63 per delegate THIS COURSE IS FOR TREATING ADULTS (age 16+)	Macclesfield Town Hall Thursday 5 November		
IOSH Managing Safely (3 day) course 09:00 to 17:00 each day £225 per delegate	Municipal Buildings, Crewe Thurs 12, Fri 13 & Fri 20 November		
IOSH Managing Safely Refresher (1 day) course 09:00 to 16:30 £165 per delegate	Macclesfield Town all Monday 16 November		
First Aid at Work (blended-learning) (6 hours e-learning and 12 hours face-to-face training) £137 per delegate THIS COURSE IS FOR TREATING ADULTS (age 16+)	Macclesfield Town Hall Monday 30 November and Tuesday 1 December		
Course times – 09:30 to 16:30 unless otherwise stated			

Contact: Diane Owen, Corporate Health & Safety Team: dianek.owen@cheshireeast.gov.uk

2.10 English Hubs Northern Network - See High-Quality Phonics and Early Reading in Action: 21 October

Content	Audience	Purpose
Our Live Lesson Visits are designed for class teachers and Learning Support Assistants (LSAs) directly involved in teaching phonics and early reading. These morning sessions provide a valuable opportunity to observe effective practice in real classrooms and learn how to deliver your school's Systematic Synthetic Phonics (SSP) programme with fidelity, consistency, and confidence. What to Expect • <i>Observe Practice: Watch high-quality phonics and early reading lessons in Reception and Year 1, as well as targeted 'keep up' interventions.</i> • <i>Classroom Routines: See clear examples of best practice in phonics teaching and effective classroom routines.</i> • <i>Practical Strategies: Gain actionable ideas and techniques to support the delivery of your SSP and help all children become confident, fluent readers.</i> • <i>Hub Guidance: Receive key messages, practical advice, and tips from the English Hub team.</i> • <i>Reflection: Reflect on your current classroom provision and refine your approach to drive the best possible reading outcomes.</i> Who Should Attend? • Teachers • LSAs Event Details • Venue: Lacey Green Conference Centre, SK9 4DP • Date/Time: Wednesday 21 October, arrive from 8:30am for a 9:00am start • Finish Time: approximately 12:00pm Link: https://forms.gle/HNe1Kz8Qm9xFJG3U7	All	For Information



Contact: Kerri Hall: khall@laceygreen.cheshire.sch.uk

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2.11 English Hubs Northern Network - Update: 05 October

Content	Audience	Purpose
Looking to strengthen oracy, reading and writing across your school? Fully funded by the Department for Education and delivered by the Laurus Trust, the Primary Fluency Project supports schools with a free, evidence-led approach to developing pupils' fluency. Schools that sign up will gain access to the Fluency Framework, alongside resources and professional development designed to support teaching across oracy, reading and writing. Visit our website to find out more and register your interest today: https://www.laurustrust.co.uk/primary-fluency-project/ Webinar: The importance of genre in offering different reading experiences Watch BookTrust in conversation with authors Sharna Jackson, Simon Mole, J.P. Rose, Rashmi Sirdeshpande and Ken Wilson-Max in this free exploring the role of genre in children's reading for pleasure. Suitable for primary teachers, TAs, Literacy Leads and Headteachers. Link: https://www.booktrust.org.uk/resources/find-resources/webinar-the-importance-of-genre-in-offering-different-reading-experiences/webinar	All	For Information

Contact: Kerri Hall: khall@laceygreen.cheshire.sch.uk

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2.12 HARMLESS Training

Content	Audience	Purpose
Free nationally recognised training to increase your awareness around self-harm and how you might intervene. Training is delivered by registered Harmless trainers and experienced Mental Health Practitioners from Cheshire's NHS Mental Health Support Teams in Schools. • <i>Improve awareness of self-harm</i> • <i>Consider ways to reduce stigma and discrimination</i> • <i>Understand warning signs and symptoms of emotional distress and self-harm</i> • <i>Understand the direct and wider impact of self-harm</i> • <i>Develop skills to respond to and support an individual in distress</i> • <i>Develop knowledge of evidence-based brief interventions to support someone who self-harms</i> • <i>Understand the importance of recovery</i> • <i>Enhance confidence, working practice, knowledge and skills</i> Please see link to the flyer for further details. Link: https://live-chesheast.cloud.contensis.com/docs/schools/bulletins/documents-for-bulletin/sept-2026/harmless-training-flyer-mhst-east-cheshire-oct-2026-to-oct-2027.docx	MHST Schools	CPD

Contact: Jane Henry: cwp.cheshiremhstadmin@nhs.net

2.13 REMINDER: Professional Development Opportunities for all School Staff through The Cornovii Trust

Content	Audience	Purpose
The Cornovii Trust (based in Nantwich and Alsager) would like to invite primary and secondary colleagues across Cheshire to join some of their high-quality professional development opportunities. Details are in the link document. The Developing Teacher Programme is a lesson study-based approach where colleagues from the primary and secondary sectors work together, observe lessons across both phases, analyse effective practice and explore the pedagogical issues relating to KS2-3 transition. This programme was a huge success last year within our group of schools. It takes place over x3 days (see dates in the document) and costs £120 per delegate in total. 1. The Developing Leader Programme is open to all staff (teaching and non-teaching) from both the primary and secondary phases. It explores generic leadership principles, followed by x2 elective modules. Again, this programme was a big success within our schools last year. It takes place over x3 twilights and x2 elective days (see dates and further details in the document) and costs £120 per delegate in total. If you or any colleagues are interested, please contact Janine Edwards at Malbank School jme@malbank.cheshire.sch.uk Link: https://live-chesheast.cloud.contensis.com/pdf/schools/bulletins/documents-for-bulletins-2026/september/tct-career-pathway-brochure.pdf	Primary & Secondary Colleagues	For Information

Contact: jme@malbank.cheshire.sch.uk

3. Traded Service Information

There are no items in this area.

4. General Information

4.1 International Walk to School Month offer

Content	Audience	Purpose
Ready to take your walking activities up a level? We're offering WOW schools an exclusive 50% off our five-day walking challenge classroom packs, using the discount code IWTSM50 at checkout. Normally £13.50, now just £6.75! Order by midnight on Friday 23 October for guaranteed delivery before the end of October. The packs are undated and can be used whenever suits you. A simple, fun way to encourage more active journeys all year round. If you have any questions, or would like support with your order, get in touch at orders@livingstreets.org.uk. Link: Five-day walking challenge – Living Streets	All Schools, Academies and MATs	For Information & Action

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4.2 Northwest Air Ambulance - Restart a Heart Day: 16 October

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Could your pupils be among 500 children joining our live lessons for Restart a Heart Day? The North West Air Ambulance Charity (NWAA), in partnership with North West Ambulance Service (NWAS), is inviting primary schools to join free live online lessons on Friday 16 October. Led by a member of the NWAA and NWAS crew, pupils can discover more about both organisations, learn about what to do in an emergency and what they can do if someone is in cardiac arrest. They'll also take the first step towards becoming a Helicopter Hero. There are just three simple missions to become a Helicopter Hero: 1. Learn a lifesaving skill 2. Raise awareness 3. Fundraise for NWAA By joining the live lessons, they'll already complete Mission 1. Schools can then simply choose an awareness activity and a fundraising activity to complete that day or whenever suits them. We'll provide easy ideas and resources to help. Complete all three missions and every participating child will receive a FREE Helicopter Hero badge and certificate. Schools can involve one class or a whole year group. Plus, every school that registers will be entered into a prize draw. The winners will receive an exclusive visit to an NWAA operational base for a class of up to 30 pupils and a defibrillator cabinet to make their school's defibrillator more accessible. Register your school here: www.nwairambulance.org/events/restart-a-heart-day/ <i>The live lesson and Helicopter Hero challenge are educational awareness activities and do not provide a formal first aid or CPR qualification or certification. Pupils should take part under the supervision of school staff.</i>	Primary Schools	For Information & Action

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