

GDS Weekly Bulletin 14 January 2020

This week's bulletin contains the following items:-

- Spring Term 2020 Planner – **Copy attached**
- ESFA Update academies: 8 January 2020
- Reminder: teachers' pension employer contribution grant supplementary fund
- Information: Quality in Careers Standard events
- Information: free training for school leaders in integrated curriculum and financial planning
- Making curriculum decisions in the best interests of children
- Why we do research at Ofsted
- Government announces plans for universal school inspections
- Ofsted inspection: removal of the outstanding exemption – Consultation

Effective Governance Course for Maintained School Governors - Strong school governance is key to a school's success – boards have more responsibility and are held accountable for the performance of the school more rigorously than ever before. This course will explore what we mean by effective governance and consider some of the principles and approaches used by some of the best governing boards.

Course objectives:

- Explore the characteristics of effective governance
- Clarify the duties and accountabilities of modern governance
- Identify practical measures to support effective governance

Intended for: maintained school governors and clerks

On 30 January 2020 from 6 – 8 pm at Salvation Army Conference Centre, South Wigston

There are still places on the **Training & Development Forum** on 21 January 2020 from 10.00 am – 12.00 noon at Beaumanor Hall, Woodhouse **or** from 6.00 – 8.00 pm at Leicester Race Course, Oadby.

Bookings for the above events can be made through the website: <http://www.leicestershiretradedservices.org.uk> , by email governors@leics.gov.uk or telephone 0116 305 6503. **These events are free to schools and academies that subscribe to GDS**

Regards

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