



Exciting Professional Development Opportunities for Mawsley Staff

Following a successful consortium bid to the EU Erasmus + fund for international professional development, supported by Inspire Teaching Alliance, Mawsley School will be working with 10 local schools to take part in fully funded educational training and cultural visits to Italy, Sweden, The Netherlands and Spain over the next two years.

We are delighted that this funding has been granted for this ambitious project which will enable leaders, teachers, support staff and governors to learn about other approaches and curriculum innovations, see them in practice and have time to discuss and reflect on their learning in a structured, professional environment.

These shared experiences will strengthen partnerships with other local schools, have a high impact on the practice of our staff and will increase awareness of the benefits of working collaboratively through new links with European partners.

Our first adventure will be to Bologna, Italy in early November 2019 for a look at “Creative approaches in early years and pre-school education.” Mrs Buckle and Mrs Underwood will be attending this course. This course is repeated in March 2020, where Miss Pattle and Miss Clayton will also attend.



In January, Miss Frost and Mrs Farrow will be attending ‘Enhancing Teaching and Learning through effective use of Teaching Assistants and Support Staff’ which takes place in Malaga, Spain.



Our next adventure will take Miss Toms and Mrs Hughes to Sweden in April to learn about Forest Schools and how outdoor learning can be used to support personalised learning and social and emotional skills.



In the next academic year, there will be courses focussing on ‘Effective teaching and learning in mathematics’ and ‘Supporting children who are learning English as an additional language’.

I am really excited to be leading this project for the school and will be bringing you lots of news about the visits via our Facebook Page and Website. I believe it will have a positive impact on the learning opportunities we provide for our children whilst also giving our staff quality professional development and a memorable learning experience.

Kind regards,

Cheryl Buckle

European Project Leader