

“Every school, in Cornwall, is led by highly trained and effective leaders committed to wanting the best outcomes for every pupil. Every teacher, in every school in Cornwall, is the best they can be at what they teach and how they teach it.”

OneCornwall Spring Term Newsletter

6th January 2025

[Our offer](#)

Welcome to our Spring Term Newsletter, we hope you have had a great start to the New Year. In this issue:

- An update on the next round of funding for NPQs
- NPQ's a good idea? See the latest participant feedback
- A request for support with recruiting people to our profession
- Guidance around Early Career Teachers and the Appropriate Body work that is carried out on your behalf

Exciting NPQ News to Welcome the New Year

Reformed National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) have firmly established themselves as a proven and successful route for professional development, empowering leaders at all levels. For many schools and Trusts, NPQs have become a cornerstone of annual progress and development planning, with dedicated funding integrated into yearly budgets.

That's why the announcement at the end of December about the continuation of scholarship funding for Cohort 4b is such great news! Recruitment is now open, and the funding structure remains the same as for Cohort 4a:

Scholarships available for all schools:

- *Leading Primary Maths*
- *SENCO*
- *Headship*

Scholarships for all other NPQs are available to schools in the top 50% with the highest proportion of pupils eligible for pupil premium funding.

At OneCornwall, we are proud to offer NPQs in partnership with Leading Schools South West. South West Teaching School Hubs have received a generous allocation of funding to distribute across Devon and Cornwall. However, demand is expected to exceed supply, so scholarships are not guaranteed.

To maximise your chances, submit your application early by clicking this link: [**Expression of Interest - Cohort 4b April 2025**](#). If your school is funding your place, availability is unlimited.

Take this opportunity to benefit yourself and your school—apply now!



Are NPQs a good idea?

Our participants seem to think so, read their comments on our latest course below.

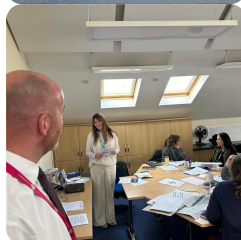


What are the strengths of the programme so far?

"The opportunity to collaborate and talk with others, especially those that have been in the role a long time. The expertise of the facilitators and their knowledge."

"Balance of self study , in person etc really interesting and engaging."

"Good pace, encourages engagement and participation. Time to reflect and interact with other, from a variety of settings."



Briefly outline the impact this module will enable you to have on your leadership, your team and your organisation

"A clearer understanding of where I would like to go professionally with regards to SENDCo role, and how that will have wider impact in our school... I feel this will in turn help with the behaviour, culture and teaching in our school."

"Equipped me with greater knowledge of statutory framework within which my role sits and how to utilise this information to better fulfil my responsibilities."

"I think it will help to inform and improve school culture and develop policies to communicate this with parents."

"Impact on the wider organisation in terms of effective leadership and implementation of SEN provision for all."



Turning the Tide: Inspiring the Next Generation of Teachers

The South West is facing a challenge: a decline in applications for trainee teachers. Recruitment has been slow, raising concerns about the future of education in our region.

As advocates for this amazing profession, we can make a difference. Teaching is more than a job; it's a career that shapes lives, builds communities, and creates a better future. Let's remind people of its rewards and inspire others to join us.

Why Teaching Matters

Teaching transforms lives. From sparking curiosity to witnessing students achieve their dreams, the impact is profound. It's a chance to make a difference every day. Let's share the joy and fulfillment it brings.

How You Can Help

Share Your Story: Talk about why you teach and what inspires you. Personal stories can ignite interest in potential trainees.

Celebrate Success: Highlight student achievements that showcase the impact of great teaching.

Engage Your Community: Use social media, events, and conversations to promote the profession positively.

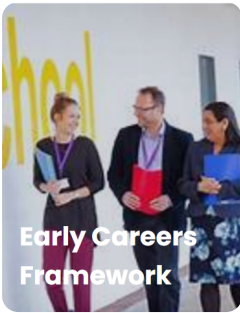
Support Training Providers: Partner with local institutions to host events and share insights about teaching.

Be Honest and Hopeful: Address challenges but focus on the support and rewards that make teaching worthwhile.

Together, We Can Inspire

Let's work to reshape perceptions and attract passionate educators. By sharing our experiences, we can inspire others to join this rewarding profession. Every effort counts.

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We'd like to thank you and your school for the support you give the ECTs and their mentors on our ECF programme.

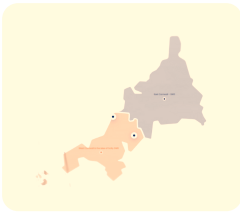
We recognise and appreciate the challenges around releasing mentors to fully engage with the programme as many of them have other roles and responsibilities. The induction tutor's support is vital in ensuring that mentors have time to fully engage with the programme.

Here's a quick reminder of the benefits that higher engagement from mentors can bring:

- Improvements to staff wellbeing and retention
- Higher impact on ECTs and their pupils
- Increased funding from the DfE for your school

[Funding & Eligibility](#)

[Statutory guidance for ECTs](#)



Appropriate Body Services

If you have a teacher in their first two years of qualifying, they will need to be registered with the DfE through their regional Appropriate Body. As your school is in Cornwall - OneCornwall is your appropriate body, contact Sally and Helen if you have any enquires about registering your early career teachers.

ECF & AB enquiries: ecf@onecornwall.co.uk
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Our organisation is here to support educational establishments across Cornwall. Get in touch if we can assist you in any way.

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