

DGP Bulletin 16th April 2018 *For School Governors by School Governors*

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National Updates DfE

1. Multi-million fund to boost children's early language skills
published 30 April 2018
2. Fund for bright disadvantaged pupils launched
published 27 April 2018
3. Find, join or create a network for school business professionals
Updated 27 April 2018

10 April 2018 — News story Funding boost for the arts to support talented pupils
School Standards Minister Nick Gibb announces £96 million to support talented music, drama and dance pupils kick-start their career in the arts.

NGA updates

Visit the NGA website for full details on the following and more:

[Sir David Carter announces resignation](#)

[Funding the Future: MPs debate school funding](#)

[Conversion of schools to academy status under scrutiny](#)

[Good Estate Management for Schools guidance released](#)

[NASWUT survey on support for pupils with SEN](#)

[Analysis of the teacher labour market](#)

[Inspiring Governance Future Chairs](#)

[Share your governance experiences of engaging with parents](#)

[Data Protection Toolkit for Schools](#)

[Secretary of State for Education to address NGA Summer Conference](#)

[Cohorts beginning soon: Governance Training for Chairs, Clerks & Boards funded by DfE](#)

Have you seen?

Want to keep up to date with Safeguarding - Visit Andrew Hall's Website

Andrew Hall - Safeguarding In Schools

<https://www.safeguardingschools.co.uk/andrew-hall/>

Andrew Hall, Safeguarding Consultant, is an experienced headteacher with 30 years experience and is now a specialist safeguarding consultant and trainer.

NGA Knowing your School

This is a range of extremely useful advice on a range of topics – highly recommended.

- Getting to know parents
- Governors and Staff Performance
- Data
- Questions to ask
- School Visits

Local News

Next DGP Partnership Meeting –NGA update on national issues we should be aware of

7.00 -9.00 pm 7th June 2018
Derby Conference Centre
London Road, Derby DE24 8UX

No cost to DGP Package members, otherwise £25 per governor (please note: where places are booked but not taken your school will still be charged).

Book places with Sharon Siddons. Telephone: 07771 252252
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2018 - 2019 DGP Course Programme

Please book your places with Sharon - don't forget there is a 30% DGP partner discount for all our courses. The DGP Board evaluates all of the feedback from our courses. Feedback continues to show that we are providing high quality training for governors and clerks. Do let Sharon know if there is anything you would like us to add to our annual course programme or if your governing board would be better served by an 'In School Support' session tailor made to your requirements.

To book places at any of the events below please contact Sharon on sharon@dgovp.org.uk or telephone: 07771 252252.

SUMMER TERM 2018

The Role of the SEND Governor Competency area 5 Compliance

SEND is the responsibility of ALL governors, not just the designated governor. How does your GB discharge this responsibility? Understand the principles of inclusion and how to champion the needs of SEND children in your school

**Sue Bradley - Executive Head of The Kingsmead and
Newton's Walk PRU and Special School**

7-9pm Derby Conference
Centre
Date: Thursday 17th May 2018
£55.00 package or £80.00 non-
package

<p>The Governor role in school Performance Management Competency area 2 Accountability One of our strategic functions is to hold the head to account for the performance management of staff. This is a fundamental system of bringing about school improvement and one which Ofsted will explore. How do you ensure your PM systems are robust? What is the governor role in this process?</p> <p>Sandra Fletcher - Independent Educational Consultant, Chair of Governors and NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Derby Conference Centre Date: Thursday 24th May 2018</p> <p>£55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>
<p>Evaluating Governance Competency area 6 Evaluation Are you a self evaluating outward looking board? Do you know your strengths and what to do to improve weaker areas? 360 audits of the chair, annual reviews of contribution – how do they play a part in strengthening your effectiveness?</p> <p>Sandra Fletcher – Independent Educational Consultant, Chair of Governors and NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Derby Conference Centre Date: Wednesday 6th June 2018</p> <p>£55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>
<p>Appraising your Clerk to Governors Competency area 3 People Having a professional clerk to support your governing body is essential and appraising your clerk is a vital part of the process to support your clerk and their development.</p> <p>Chris Merrick –Independent Educational Consultant, Chair of Governors and NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Flint Bishop Boardroom Date: Monday 11th June 2018</p> <p>£55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>
<p>Developing a Strategic Vision for your school Competency area 1 Strategic Leadership Consider what this means for your governing body and set about achieving this with more confidence</p> <p>Sandra Fletcher – Independent Educational Consultant, Chair of Governors and NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Derby Conference Centre Date: Thursday 14th June 2018</p> <p>£55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>
<p>Governor Roles and Responsibilities Competency area 4 Structures This course will focus on the two competency areas of People and Structures The strategic nature of board, effective structures, people and team working in a professional way to bring about highly effective governance</p> <p>Chris Merrick – Independent Educational Consultant, Chair of Governors and NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Derby Conference Centre Date: Monday 18th June 2018</p> <p>£55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>

<p>Safeguarding – The governor role Competency area 5 Compliance Ofsted see Safeguarding as the ‘golden thread which impacts on all areas of inspection. Whilst there will be designated safeguarding governor ALL governors have a Safeguarding responsibility. How do you discharge this vital responsibility?</p> <p>Franky Boyland - Assistant Head at The Kingsmead School and Sandra Fletcher – NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Derby Conference Centre Date: Thursday 28th June 2018 £55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>
<p>Gathering first hand monitoring evidence Competency area 2 Accountability Gain a greater understanding of the purpose of governor visits, how the evidence you gather support monitoring of the school development plan and strategic vision</p> <p>Sandra Fletcher – Independent Educational Consultant, Chair of Governors and NLG</p>	<p>7-9pm Derby Conference Centre Date: Tuesday 3rd July 2018 £55.00 package or £80.00 non-package</p>