



CSSC appoint Interim Chief Executive

Shane McCurdy has been appointed as Interim Chief Executive for Controlled Schools' Support Council. Shane takes over from Barry Mulholland who vacated the role on 31 December 2020. We wish Barry well in his new role as Chairperson of Education Authority. [Read more here.](#)



Covid-19 resources

CSSC's five School Support Officers who have been working as Link Officers within the Education Authority, recommend these resources. [Click here to access.](#)



What's the (gender) difference?

CSSC recently collaborated with the [Centre for Research in Educational Underachievement](#) on a pilot research project investigating views on male primary teachers. CSSC also took part in a podcast that has been launched to accompany the report. [For podcast and report click here.](#)



Governor training - ethos in controlled schools

CSSC has adapted its training programme to develop an online training opportunity for Governors of controlled schools, in which the importance of ethos and the role of Governors in developing and leading ethos will be considered. [For dates and to register click here.](#)



Roddensvale School receive Silver Award

Roddensvale School is proud to be the first school in Northern Ireland to be awarded a Silver Attachment and Trauma Sensitive School Award. The award recognises the commitment of the school and the steps staff take to develop a culture of compassion and nurture. [Read full story here.](#)



Queen's New Year Honours list 2021

Congratulations to the Queen's New Year Honours list of award recipients for 2021. Honours are given to people from all walks of life and all sections of society who have made a difference to their community. Congratulations to those working in or contributing to the controlled education sector. [Full list here.](#)



Make a nomination for the Diana Award

Nominations are now open for [the Diana Award](#). This is a prestigious accolade a young person can receive for their social action or humanitarian work. If you know a young person that is changing the world around them, nominate them by 12 March 2021. [Read more here.](#)



Stewartstown Mathletics 2020 world champions!

Great example of good practice, Stewartstown Primary School were crowned world champions in Mathletics 2020. They were previous world champions back in 2017, runners up in 2018 before regaining their world champion status again in 2019. Well done. [Find out more here.](#)



Music Success Ballyclare High School

Congratulations to instrumentalists Amy Blackbourne, Sebastian Kidd & Emily Shiels who have been selected from applicants from across the UK as members of the National Youth Concert Band for 2021. [Further details here.](#)



Groggan Primary scoop Social School Award

Groggan Primary School were delighted to recently receive the Social School Award! It all started in 2015 when the school started their social media accounts, Facebook and Twitter to reach out to parents and the local community. [More information here.](#)



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