

CSSC news

June 2021

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Message from Mark Baker

It is a privilege to become Chief Executive of CSSC. I am delighted to join a wellestablished team and to continue to work with all our partners across the education sector.

Read Mark's full message here.

CSSC Council elections

CSSC is seeking to elect a new Council to represent member schools. All schools will have received school nomination papers. Additional public appointment information can be found <u>here.</u> Deadline for public appointments is 11.59pm, Wednesday 30 June 2021.

Taking Boys Seriously conference - 20 October 2021

This event will explore how boys are relational learners. It will be delivered in partnership by CSSC, Ulster University, CCMS and Youth Action NI. Further conference information, registration and programme will be available soon.

Play in Practice

CSSC, Stranmillis University College and Playboard NI facilitated an online webinar launching findings of research on play in practice during the pandemic. Thanks to Ballyclare NS, Dromore NS, Killylea PS, Rathcoole PS and Sperrinview Special school who presented at this event. Listen to recording here. Read research findings.

Minister recognises Roddensvale School's achievement

Former Education Minister, Mr Peter Weir, MLA attended a special event in recognition of Roddensvale School becoming the first NI school awarded a Silver Attachment and Trauma Sensitive School Award. <u>Further details here.</u>

Creating a buzz at Willowbridge School Pupils and teachers at Willowbridge School have been developing their outdoor spaces supported by their Eco School's coordinator. They were joined by former First Minster Mrs Arlene Foster, MLA in sowing wildflower seeds and planting trees. <u>Read more here.</u>

Principal navigates school towards success

Congratulations to Emma Quinn who was officially appointed to the position of head teacher at Rathcoole Primary School, six years after first stepping up to cover an interim position. <u>Full story here.</u>





 Taking Boys

 Seriously

 Conference

 Boys as Relational Learners

 www.ulster.ac.uk/tbs







Willowbridge School









Calling all artists!

The Royal Society for Protection of Birds (RSPB) NI is calling on aspiring artists to create for nature. The Artist of the Year competition deadline is 20 July. Find out more <u>here.</u>

Craigavon Senior High School welcomed Former First Minister in NI centenary celebration

Former First Minister, Mrs Arlene Foster MLA, viewed a special exhibition of favourite memories and Northern Ireland locations designed by Craigavon Senior High School pupils. <u>More details here.</u>

Free Action Mental Health workshops These workshops can be delivered to pupils, staff and parents at primary and post-primary school. <u>Little Healthy Me P1</u> to P4, Healthy Me P5 to P7 and <u>Provoking Thought Year 8 to Year 14.</u> Click on links for information.



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Host a Teacher from Germany - virtually or face to face!

Register here to 'Host a teacher from Germany' for 2021-22. Registration deadlines: 13 July 2021 (to host in the autumn term), 28 September 2021 (to host in spring/summer 2022) <u>Find out</u> <u>more and get involved with Q&A sessions</u> <u>here.</u>

Review of Restraint & Seclusion in NI Schools

The Northern Ireland Commissioner for Children and Young People is asking all Northern Ireland schools about the practice of Restraint and Seclusion. The anonymous survey closes 30 June. <u>Access survey here.</u>

CSSC consultation responses CSSC responded to the followin

CSSC responded to the following Education Authority consultations:

- Draft Special Schools Area Planning Framework
- Draft Framework for Specialist Provision in Mainstream Schools and Draft Framework for Specialist Provision in Mainstream Schools -Pilot.

Read responses here



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