







Early Career Framework Newsletter

2023 – 2024

October 2023 Edition



Welcome to our first Newsletter for September 2023 ECTs. In our regular newsletters you'll notice that we tag specific sections for ECTs and Mentors depending on where they are in the programme. Everything in this newsletter is aimed at you, but in future you'll see the following indicators.

	September	January	April
2021 - 2022			
2022 - 2023			
2023 - 2024			

 **What you should have received to date:**

All ECTs who have been successfully registered with us through the DfE's Manage Early Career Teacher service should have received:

1. Welcome communications; including an invitation to, or catch up materials from, the Year 1 Induction Conference.
2. Your seminar calendar detailing your live, online events for the coming year with your facilitator.
3. Your activation to MyTeachFirst/Brightspace.

There is further information about these below.



Welcome Communications, a reminder of links you may need

The following documents were linked to as part of your welcome communications.

- [PDF DP ECF programme overview Y1 Sept 2023.pdf](#)
- [PDF 2023 ECT Year 1 Programme Guide - DP.pdf](#)

You can find a copy of the materials from the Induction Conferences as a reminder or for catch up purposes here:

- [PDF Year 1 ECT Induction Conference \(Sep 2023 Alignment\).pdf](#)



Live Seminars and Swap Requests

We have taken on board feedback from ECTs over the past two years who have expressed a preference to be grouped in phase specific groups for Year 1 (e.g. Early Years, Primary, Secondary, Post 16 and Specialist Settings). For this reason we are not able to offer seminar swaps this year.

If you are unable to attend a session due to an unavoidable commitment / you are unwell / you do not have the necessary equipment to engage in the session / due to an unforeseen circumstance or if you are unable to be on time (within 5 minutes of the start time), your facilitator will mark you as absent.

You will then receive a follow up email from Bright Futures with a recording and a DFE link. When you have engaged with the recording, you will click on the link which reports to the DFE that you have engaged in those materials online. Your absent mark will then be updated to present. You do not need to report an absence in advance, saving you time that can be spent elsewhere.

If you booked an in person Module 3/Module 6 event at the same time as your Induction Conference, you do not need to rebook. We will be reconfirming all existing bookings after the half term break. If you have not yet booked a Module 3/6 event please follow the link on your seminar calendar to book.



Access to MyTeach First /Brightspace

Please look out for your invitation to log into the online learning platform Brightspace, which is accessed through your MyTeachFirst log in. If you have not yet logged in to the Brightspace Platform, please

- [Reset your password | My Teach First](#)
- You may have been registered by your school with the email address that you applied for the job with or your school email address.

If the reset password hasn't worked, please raise a support request at:

- [Contact Us | My Teach First](#)

You can take a look here for a technical walk through of the Brightspace platform:

- [ECT Brightspace view - YouTube](#)

Contact Us

Please do get in touch with us if you need anything or have any feedback, our Early Career Framework team is here to help:

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