Year 2: Development Cycles

Suggested Programme: 2023 – 2024

Each school will have a slightly different holiday pattern and therefore the dates below are an example. ECTs and Mentors can adapt the Development Cycles to fit with their own school dates, areas of focus, seminars and expert practitioner availability.

Part time ECTs can look at the dates of their own Induction and their individual working pattern to allow the appropriate time for them to embed learning into their practice.

The Mentor Seminars: do not impact at all on the Development Cycle. Mentor training is aimed at developing you as a mentor and not a classroom practitioner.

The ECT Seminars: are held in subject/phase groups. The seminar will look at some examples from the area of focus for the Development Cycle.

The below is one example of how you could plan your Development Cycles over the year.

Development	Suggested Weeks	Length of time to fit the 6
Cycle		week cycle
1	25 th Sept – 10 th Nov 2023	7 weeks with most schools having one week holiday
2	13 th Nov 2023 – 5 th Jan 2024	8 weeks with most schools having two weeks of holiday holiday
3	8 th Jan – 23 rd Feb 2024	7 weeks with most schools having one week holiday
4	26 th Feb - 19 th April 2024	8 weeks with most schools having two weeks of holiday
5	22 April – 7 June 2024	7 weeks with most schools having one week holiday
6	10 June – 26 th Jul 2024	7 weeks with most schools having one week holiday