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Spring Term 2 ECF/ECTP Bulletin



A warm welcome to our Spring 2 half term bulletin.

We really appreciate you taking time to review the document and we hope you find it a useful check point. Please review the relevant page for your cohort to check everything is up to date before you finish this half term.

Please get in touch with us if you have any questions:

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Induction Tutors



Induction Tutors who have a new April 2026 ECT and/or Mentor to register: Deadline for registrations so ECTs & Mentors can attend the Welcome Conferences - Friday 17th April

We are now in the process of registering new ECTs and Mentors for the April 2026 ECTP cohort commencing the programme in the summer term. If you have a new ECT and/or Mentor to register for the summer term, please use the DfE link below to register them. Please do this before Friday 17th April to ensure your ECT(s) / Mentor(s) are registered on the ECF/ECTP Programme prior to the Welcome Conference, so they receive all the information and important dates they will need: <https://manage-training-for-early-career-teachers.education.gov.uk/>

Once you have registered your new ECTs and Mentors on the DfE, their details will come through to the ECF/ECTP team. We will then send them a welcome email. We ask all ECTs and Mentors to liaise with you in order that attendance at sessions and in-person events can be approved. Please liaise with your Mentors and ECTs regarding their programme of training. Please also remember to register your new ECTs with an Appropriate Body. The contact details for the Bright Futures AB team are: ab-induction@bright-futures.co.uk

If you are registering any new ECTs who have no previous terms of statutory induction, or any new mentors who have no prior ECTP/ECF Mentor training, they will be sent a personalised email asking them to book their welcome conference using an online booking form, once they have liaised with their Induction Tutor:

The following Welcome Conference events are only for new ECTs and Mentors in the April 2026 ECTP cohort.

Year 1 ECTs: Tuesday 28th April 2026 all day event from 9am - 3.30pm
New Mentors: Monday 27th April 2026 all day event from 9am - 3.30pm

Induction Tutors who have ECTs and/or Mentors in the April 2025 cohort:

This half term we have sent an email to the ECTs and Mentors in the April 2025 cohort of the programme, asking them to complete and submit a booking form for attendance at their year 2 Welcome Conferences.

These events are only for those ECTs and Mentors in the April 2025 ECF cohort.

Yr 2 ECTs: Wednesday 29th April 2026 all day event from 9am - 3.30pm
Yr 2 Mentors: Thursday 30th April 2026 half day event from 9am - 12.30pm

We have asked ECTs and Mentors in this cohort to liaise with you in order that attendance at sessions and in-person events can be approved.

If you have ECTs and/or Mentors in the April 2025 cohort, we would ask that you liaise with them regarding their training for year 2 of the programme as we do not copy Induction Tutors in to each of these emails.

With the introduction of the new Early Career Training Programme (ECTP) from September 2025, ECTs in their second year of the programme from September 2026 will follow year 2 of the ECTP rather than the ECF programme. The subject content of each session is very similar, however please note the revised order of the seminars and Brightspace below.

As the April 2025 ECT cohort will commence year 2 of the programme in April 2026, they will do 1 term of their 2nd year on the ECF programme and their remaining 2 terms of the 2nd year of the ECTP.

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Induction Tutors



In order to make this transition as smooth as possible and to ensure we keep the high quality of the programme running during the transition, we have put together the following plan for these ECTs to follow for year 2. Please note: all ECTs separate into seminar groups based on their subject/phase in year 2.

They will join their subject group in the summer term 25/26 at the online seminar for the following 2 topics:

- Using structured talk to develop pupils' literacy
- Designing a coherent curriculum
- On Brightspace these topics will be listed as Development Cycles 5 and 6.

In the autumn term 26/27 they will attend an online seminar for the following topics: (dates for these seminars will be sent out in the summer term):

- Developing pupils' intrinsic motivation
- Anticipating & addressing misconceptions
- On Brightspace these topics will be listed as Development Cycles 1 & 4.

In the spring term 26/27 they will then receive a recording for the remaining year 2 topics: (dates for these seminars will be sent out in the summer term):

- Developing subject specific skills
- Using meaningful & memorable explanations
- On Brightspace these topics will be listed as Development Cycles 2 & 3.

In this term they will also be offered to attend an optional drop-in clinic with the Deputy Director of the Teaching School Hubs and main facilitator of the programme, Emma Taylor, to support your ECTs in their final term of the programme.

ECTs in the April 2025 cohort will receive further details about their Autumn and Spring term (26/27) seminars in the summer term.

We appreciate that this transition could cause some confusion, but rest assured we will be in regular contact with the ECTs to ensure they are very clear on what they need to engage with on a half termly basis. If you have any questions in relation to this or anything else, please do get in touch: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk



Induction Tutor Support Sessions:



Our next online support session for Induction Tutors will be held online on Thursday 30th April at 3.45pm.



Please join us using the following zoom Link:
<https://bright-futures-co-uk.zoom.us/j/84874788003>



2025 wave 2: January 2026 ECT Cohort



Seminar this half term

Attended the seminar for Module 2.

- If you attended the seminar, your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.
- If you did not attend the seminar and caught up via a recording you should have declared your engagement via email. You will have received an email from the team to confirm that your engagement has been submitted. If you have received this confirmation, your engagement has already been submitted therefore you will not be required to re-confirm your attendance.
- If you have not previously informed us that you caught up with a seminar via a recording, please watch the recording and send an email to confirm your engagement. Please ensure you do this before Wednesday 18th March for your engagement to be recorded for this term: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk

Module 2 Recording



Brightspace online learning

From last half term:

- Induction Module
- Module 1
 - Diagnostic activity
 - 5 x 45-minute units
 - The post-module quiz

From this half term:

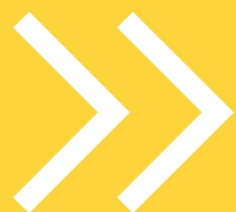
- Module 2
 - Diagnostic Activity
 - 5 x 45-minute units
 - The post-module quiz



Completed training so far

ECTP Welcome Conference including seminar 1

Module 2



Coming up in Summer term 1

Module 3

Your in person seminar for module 3 on Monday 18th May as per your seminar calendar. You will receive a reminder/confirmation email about this next half term.

2025 wave 1: September 2025 ECT Cohort



Seminar this half term

Attended the seminar for Module 4.

- If you attended the seminar, your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.
- If you did not attend the seminar and caught up via a recording you should have declared your engagement via email. You will have received an email from the team to confirm that your engagement has been submitted. If you have received this confirmation, your engagement has already been submitted therefore you will not be required to re-confirm your attendance.
- If you have not previously informed us that you caught up with a seminar via a recording, please watch the recording and send an email to confirm your engagement. Please ensure you do this before Wednesday 18th March for your engagement to be recorded for this term: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk

[Module 4 Recording](#)



Brightspace online learning

From September 2025:

- Induction Module
- Modules 1, 2 and 3
 - Diagnostic activities
 - 5 x 45-minute units per module
 - The post-module quizzes per module

From this half term:

- Module 4
 - Diagnostic Activity
 - 5 x 45-minute units
 - The post-module quiz



Completed training so far



Coming up in Summer term 1

Module 5

Your seminar for module 5 as per your seminar calendar / seminar selections

2024 wave 3: April 2025 ECT Cohort



Seminar this half term

Attended the seminar for Module 6.

- If you attended the seminar, your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.
- If you did not attend the seminar and caught up via a recording you should have declared your engagement via email. You will have received an email from the team to confirm that your engagement has been submitted. If you have received this confirmation, your engagement has already been submitted therefore you will not be required to re-confirm your attendance.
- If you have not previously informed us that you caught up with a seminar via a recording, please watch the recording and send an email to confirm your engagement. Please ensure you do this before Wednesday 18th March for your engagement to be recorded for this term: ecf@bright-futures.co.uk

[Module 6 Recording](#)



Brightspace online learning

From April 2025:

- Induction plus Modules 1 - 5
- This half term: Module 6



Completed training so far

ECF Welcome Conference including module 1

Modules 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6



Coming up in Summer term 1

ECF Year 2 Welcome Conference

You will commence year 2 of the ECF programme in the summer term. You should have received an email from the ECF team inviting you to book and confirm attendance at the year 2 ECT Welcome Conference. Please submit your booking form by Monday 23rd March.

If you have not received the email please get in touch: ecf@bright-futures.co.uk

2024 wave 2: January 2025 ECT Cohort

	Seminar this half term	You have not needed to attend a seminar this half term
	Brightspace online learning	From January 2026: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction• Development Cycle 3• Development Cycle 4 From summer term 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please work through Development Cycle 5.• You will have time in the final half term of the year to work on Development Cycle 6.
	Completed training so far	From January 2026: 
	Coming up in Summer term 1	 <p>Your next seminar is due to take place next half term as per your year 2 seminar calendar OR if you are KS1/KS2, your seminar submission booking form.</p>

2024 wave 1: September 2024 ECT Cohort

	<p>Seminar this half term</p>	<p>You have not needed to attend a seminar this half term</p>
	<p>Brightspace online learning</p>	<p>From September 2025 (year 2):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction• Development Cycles 1 & 2• Development Cycles 3 & 4 <p>From summer term 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please start working through Development Cycle 5.• You will have time in the final half term of the year to work on Development Cycle 6.
	<p>Completed training so far</p>	<p>From September 2025 (year 2):</p>  <pre>graph LR; A[ECF Year 2 Welcome Conference] --> B[Development Cycles 1 & 2]; B --> C[Development Cycles 3 & 4]</pre>
	<p>Coming up in Summer term 1</p>	 <p>Development Cycles 5 & 6 - double seminar</p> <p>Your next seminar is due to take place in Summer term 1 as per your year 2 seminar calendar OR if you are KS1/KS2, your seminar submission booking form.</p>

2023 wave 3: April 2024 ECT Cohort

	<p>Seminar this half term</p>	<p>You have not needed to attend a seminar this half term</p>
	<p>Brightspace online learning</p>	<p>From April 2025 (year 2):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction• Development Cycles 5 & 6• Development Cycles 1 & 2• Development Cycles 3 & 4
	<p>Completed training so far</p>	<p>From April 2025 (year 2):</p>  <pre>graph LR; A[ECF Year 2 Welcome Conference] --> B[Development Cycles 5 & 6]; B --> C[Development Cycles 1 & 2]; C --> D[Development Cycles 3 & 4];</pre>
	<p>Coming up in summer term 1</p>	<p>You have now completed the ECF training programme!</p> <p>Huge congratulations!</p> <p>Please ensure you are up to date with year 2 ECT Development Cycles on Brightspace before you finish this half term. If you have any concerns about your engagement or you want to check you have completed everything before you finish the programme, please don't hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>We really hope you have enjoyed the programme and that you can continue your teaching with the necessary skills to get the best out of the children you will teach throughout your career. We hope to see many of you on our Mentor Training Programme in the future.</p>

2025 wave 2: January 2026 Mentor Cohort

	<p>Seminar this half term</p>	<p>You have not needed to attend a seminar this half term</p>
	<p>Brightspace online learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome session• Module 1• Module 2 (commencing module 3 from next half term)• Complete the diagnostic activity for the relevant module your ECT is working on if you are Mentoring a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT
	<p>Completed training so far</p>	<p>ECTPM welcome Conference including seminar 1</p>
	<p>Coming up in summer term 1</p>	<p>There are no seminars to attend next half term. Your next seminar will take place on Wednesday 1st July for seminars 2 - 5. This is a full day in-person event and you should have completed a booking form to confirm your attendance.</p> <p>Please also continue with a unit of Brightspace each half term. By the end of this half term, you should be at the end of module 2.</p>

2025 wave 1: September 2025 Mentor Cohort

	Seminar this half term	You have not needed to attend a seminar this half term
	Brightspace online learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome plus modules 1 & 2• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT• From this term:• Modules 3 & 4 on Brightspace• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT
	Completed training so far	
	Coming up in summer term 1	 <p>The double seminar 4 & 5 will take place in summer term 1. If you need the team to confirm your seminar date, please send an email to: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk</p> <p>If you are part of one of the following Multi Academy Trusts, your Trust will be hosting and running your ECTPM seminars: The Co-operative Academy, The Dean Trust, Corpus Christi Trust, and Prospere.</p> <p>Please continue with a unit of Brightspace each half term. By the end of this half term, you should be at the end of module 4 and you will commence modules 5 & 6 on Brightspace in the summer term.</p>

2024 wave 3: April 2025 Mentor Cohort



Seminar this half term

Attended the seminar for Modules 5 & 6.

- If you attended the seminar, your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.
- If you did not attend the seminar and caught up via a recording you should have declared your engagement via email. You will have received an email from the team to confirm that your engagement has been submitted. If you have received this confirmation, your engagement has already been submitted therefore you will not be required to re-confirm your attendance.
- If you have not previously informed us that you caught up with a seminar via a recording, please watch the recording and send an email to confirm your engagement. Please ensure you do this before Wednesday 18th March for your engagement to be recorded for this term: ecf@bright-futures.co.uk

[Module 5 recording](#)

[Module 6 recording](#)



Brightspace online learning

- Completed the first mentor assessment which is located inside Module 1 - this is a mandatory element to achieve your DfE accreditation.
- Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT



Completed training so far

ECF Year 1 Welcome Conference including modules 1 & 2

Modules 3 & 4

Modules 5 & 6



Coming up in summer term 1

ECF Year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference

You will commence year 2 of the ECF Mentor programme in the summer term. You should have received an email from the ECF team inviting you to book and confirm attendance at the year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference. Please submit your booking form before Monday 23rd March.

If you have not received the email please get in touch: ecf@bright-futures.co.uk

2024 wave 2: January 2025 Mentor Cohort



Seminar this half term

You have not needed to attend a seminar this half term



Brightspace online learning

From the first year of the programme:

- Completed the year 1 mentor assessment which is located inside Mentor Module 1 - a mandatory element for your DfE accreditation.

From this term:

- Completed the first year 2 mentor assessment which is located inside Development Cycle 1 - a mandatory element for your DfE accreditation.
- Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT



Completed training so far



Coming up in summer term 1

You will not have any seminars to attend next half term. Your next seminar will be for the 'The Inclusive Educator' which will take place online in summer term 2 on one of the following dates and times:

**Monday 15th June 2026 4-5pm
Tuesday 16th June 2026 8am-9am
Tuesday 16th June 2026 3.30-4.30pm**

You will have been asked to book your chosen date on your booking form. If you need confirmation of your chosen date, please let us know.

2024 wave 1: September 2024 Mentor Cohort

	<h3>Seminar this half term</h3>	<p>Attended the seminar for 'The Adaptive Teacher'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If you attended the seminar, your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.• If you did not attend the seminar and caught up via a recording you should have declared your engagement via email. You will have received an email from the team to confirm that your engagement has been submitted. If you have received this confirmation, your engagement has already been submitted therefore you will not be required to re-confirm your attendance.• If you have not previously informed us that you caught up with a seminar via a recording, please watch the recording and send an email to confirm your engagement. Please ensure you do this before Wednesday 18th March for your engagement to be recorded for this term: ecf@bright-futures.co.uk <p><u>The Adaptive Teacher recording</u></p>
	<h3>Brightspace online learning</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The first year 2 mentor assessment which is located inside Development Cycle 1 - a mandatory element for your DfE accreditation.• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT
	<h3>Completed training so far</h3>	
	<h3>Coming up in summer term 1</h3>	<p>You will not have any seminars to attend next half term. Your next seminar will be for the 'The Inclusive Educator' which will take place online in summer term 2 on one of the following dates and times:</p> <p>Monday 15th June 2026 4-5pm Tuesday 16th June 2026 8am-9am Tuesday 16th June 2026 3.30-4.30pm</p> <p>You will have been asked to book your chosen date on your booking form. If you need confirmation of your chosen date, please let us know.</p> <p>If you are part of the Co-operative Academy Trust, your Trust will be hosting and running your Year 2 ECF Mentor seminars and will be able to confirm your dates.</p>

2023 wave 3: April 2024 Mentor Cohort

	<h3>Seminar this half term</h3>	<p>Attended the seminar for 'The Adaptive Teacher'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If you attended the seminar, your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.• If you did not attend the seminar and caught up via a recording you should have declared your engagement via email. You will have received an email from the team to confirm that your engagement has been submitted. If you have received this confirmation, your engagement has already been submitted therefore you will not be required to re-confirm your attendance.• If you have not previously informed us that you caught up with a seminar via a recording, please watch the recording and send an email to confirm your engagement. Please ensure you do this before Wednesday 18th March for your engagement to be recorded for this term: ecf@bright-futures.co.uk <p><u>The Adaptive Teacher recording</u></p>
	<h3>Brightspace online learning</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The first and second year 2 mentor assessment which are located inside Developments Cycle 1 & 6 - mandatory elements for your DfE accreditation.• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025 or January 2026 Year 1 ECT
	<h3>Completed training so far</h3>	 <pre>graph LR; A[ECF Year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference] --> B[Developing an Inclusive Educator]; B --> C[The Adaptive Teacher]</pre>
	<h3>Coming up in summer term 1</h3>	<p>You have now completed the ECF Mentor training programme!</p> <p>Huge congratulations!</p> <p>Please ensure you have completed both year 2 mentor assessments on Brightspace. If you have any concerns about your engagement or you want to check you have completed everything before you finish the programme, please don't hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>We really hope you have enjoyed the programme and our hope is that you can continue your teaching career with the necessary skills to mentor future ECTs.</p>