



Summer Term 1 ECF/ECTP Bulletin

A warm welcome to our Summer term 1 ECF/ECTP 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 via email if you have any questions:



Alternatively, please give us a call on: 0161 823 7073
(option 1)

Induction Tutors

The Department for Education has asked us to share the below message regarding funding to all schools:

The Department for Education published the conditions of grant for the Early Career Training Programme for Mentors (ECTPM) and the Early Career Teacher Entitlement (ECTE) Year 2 time-off timetable and mentor support in July 2025:

- [Grant funding for early career training programme for mentors](#)
- [Grant funding for early career teacher entitlement \(ECTE\) year 2 time off timetable and mentor support](#)

Under the grant arrangements for the ECTPM backfill funding, payments are based on evidence of mentor participation in the required training. Lead Providers must confirm that each mentor has engaged with at least 75% of the programme.

This threshold was introduced to reinforce the department's expectations of meaningful engagement and to improve the overall quality and impact of the training.

The grant is paid based on:

- 20% for evidence that the mentor has started the programme.
- 80% for evidence that the mentor has completed the programme, which requires meeting the 75% engagement criterion.

If a mentor does not meet the 75% engagement requirement, the school will not be eligible to receive 80% of the grant payment. This ensures that public funding is allocated fairly and in line with actual participation in the training. If an early career teacher leaves their programme for any reason, or has any period of leave, their mentor can still continue training, and the school would receive payment, provided they engage. The full terms and conditions of the grant, including funding amounts and payment timetable, can be found at the link above.

The department recognises that changes to funding arrangements can create challenges for schools. However, this approach ensures accountability, value for money, and continued support for schools and mentors who actively participate, alongside recent programme improvements such as shorter training duration and enhanced materials to support mentor workload.

As the September 2025 commencing mentors approach the end of their training programme this term, please ensure that they are on track with their seminar attendance, Brightspace self-directed study and ECT diagnostics to hit this threshold to ensure that your school remains eligible for the 80% grant payment.

Induction Tutors

New DfE Service for Registering Early Career Teachers and Mentors

From 28th April 2026, the DfE introduced the new service for registering ECTs and Mentors which is now called:

- Register Early Career Teachers (RECT)

This will replace the current 'manage training for early career teachers' service. The DfE sent emails out to school Induction Tutors regarding the new ECT registration service from the 28th April. April registrations were expected to be complete on the previous service. All changes going forward will now be on the new service.

The new service will now be accessed by Department for Education (DfE) Sign-in.

To access DfE online services, you'll either need:

- an existing DfE Sign-in account.
- to create a DfE Sign-in account if you haven't used DfE Sign-in before.

Once you have a DfE Sign-in account, you will be able to register new ECTs and Mentors and view the status of current ECTs and Mentors at your school. Whilst registration for September commencing ECTs is expected to open in mid-June, we would recommend that you use this time to ensure that you have your log-in ready and can see your current ECTs and Mentors.

Whilst this DfE Service replaces the current service, it does not replace the need to register for Appropriate Body Services. To use Bright Futures Appropriate Body Services; this is via Mosaic. Please contact the AB team if you need support with this: ab-induction@bright-futures.co.uk

To note If you have any new ECTs and Mentors to register for September 2026, please do not register them on the new RECT service until after the DfE has invited you to do so. We expect this to be in mid-June 2026.

Induction Tutors

Upcoming update for Induction Tutors

In summer term 2 we will be sending a detailed email to all Induction Tutors which will:



- Provide details of how and when to register new ECTs and Mentors joining our programmes from September 2026.
- Provide detailed information on the year 2 programme for our September 2025, January 2025 and April 2025 ECTs for '26/'27.

Please do not hesitate to contact us once you receive this email if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything in more detail: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk or 0161 823 7073 (option 1)

April 2026: 2025 wave 3 ECTs

A warm welcome to our new group of ECTs who have joined our April 2026 cohort of the new ECTP! We are delighted to be working with you over the next 2 years.

Please review the table below to see where you are up to with your training at the end of this half term and what you have coming up next half term.

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|  | <h3>Events this half term</h3> | <p>Attended the Welcome Conference which included module 1.</p> <p>If you attended the event at Altrincham Grammar School for Girls your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event 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.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event and have <u>not</u> previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.</p> <p>Year 1 ECTP Welcome Conference catch up materials & recordings</p> <p>Declare ECTP Year 1 ECT Welcome Conference including Module 1 here</p> |
|  | <h3>Brightspace online learning</h3> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction Module• Module 1<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ diagnostic activity◦ 5 x 45-minute units including the knowledge checks◦ the post-module quiz |
|  | <h3>Completed training so far</h3> |  |
|  | <h3>Coming up in Summer term 2</h3> |  <p>Your online seminar for module 2 as per your seminar calendar. Please contact us if you need your calendar resending: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk</p> |

January 2026: 2025 wave 2 ECTs



Seminars this half term

Attended the in-person seminar for Module 3.

If you attended the seminar at Altrincham Grammar School for Girls your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the event.

If you did not attend the event 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 did not attend the seminar and have not previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.

[Module 3 Recording](#)

[Declare ECTP Year 1 ECT Module 3 here](#)



Brightspace online learning

From last term:

- Induction Module
- Modules 1 & 2:
 - diagnostic activity
 - 5 x 45-minute units including the knowledge checks
 - the post-module quiz

This half term:

- Module 3
 - Diagnostic Activity,
 - 5 x 45-minute units including the knowledge checks
 - the post-module quiz



Completed training so far



Coming up in Summer term 2

Module 4

Your online seminar for module 4 as per your seminar calendar. Please contact us if you need your calendar resending: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk

September 2025: 2025 wave 1 ECTs



Seminars this half term

Attended the seminar for Module 5.

If you attended the seminar your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.

If you did not attend the event 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 did not attend the seminar and have not previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.

[Module 5 Recording](#)

[Declare ECTP Year 1 ECT Module 5 here](#)



Brightspace online learning

From last term:

- Induction Module
- Modules 1 - 4:
 - diagnostic activity
 - 5 x 45-minute units including the knowledge checks
 - the post-module quiz

This half term:

- Module 5
 - Diagnostic Activity,
 - 5 x 45-minute units including the knowledge checks
 - the post-module quiz



Completed training so far

ECTP Welcome Conference which includes module 1

Modules 2 - 5 on Brightspace and attended the seminars for these modules



Coming up in Summer term 2

Your seminar for module 6 as per your seminar calendar / seminar selections.

If you are part of one of the following Multi Academy Trusts, your Trust will be hosting and running your ECTP seminars: The Co-operative Academy, The Dean Trust, Corpus Christi Trust, and Prospere (mainstream schools).

April 2025: 2024 wave 3 ECTs

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|   | <h3>Events & seminars this half term</h3> | <p>Attended the year 2 ECT Welcome Conference and attended the double seminar for Development Cycles 5 & 6.</p> <p>If you attended the event at Altrincham Grammar School for Girls and the online double seminar your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the sessions.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event and/or 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.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event and/or seminar and have <u>not</u> previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the relevant link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.</p> <p>Year 2 ECF Welcome Conference catch up materials & recordings</p> <p>Declare ECF Year 2 ECT Welcome Conference here</p> <p>Development Cycles 5 & 6 playlist - please choose your subject to watch</p> <p>Declare ECF Year 2 ECT Development Cycles 5 and 6 double seminar here</p> |
|  | <h3>Brightspace online learning</h3> | <p>From April 2025 (year 2):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction• Development Cycle 5 <p>From summer term 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please start working through Development Cycle 6. |
|  | <h3>Completed training so far</h3> |  |
|  | <h3>Coming up in Summer term 2</h3> | <p>You are not expected to attend a seminar in summer term 2. Please spend this final half term of the year to work on and complete Development Cycles 5 & 6 on Brightspace.</p> |

January 2025: 2024 wave 2 ECTs



Seminars this half term

Attended the double seminar for Development Cycles 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 did not attend the seminar and have not previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.

[Development Cycles 5 & 6 playlist - please choose your subject to watch](#)

[Declare ECF Year 2 ECT Development Cycles 5 and 6 double seminar here](#)



Brightspace online learning

From January 2025 (year 2):

- Induction
- Development Cycles 3 & 4
- Development Cycle 5

From summer term 2:

- Please start working through Development Cycle 6.



Completed training so far



Coming up in Summer term 2

You are not expected to attend a seminar in summer term 2. Please spend this final half term of the year to work on and complete Development Cycles 5 & 6 on Brightspace.

September 2024: 2024 wave 1 ECTs



Seminars this half term

Attended the double seminar for Development Cycles 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 did not attend the seminar and have not previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.

[Development Cycles 5 & 6 playlist - please choose your subject to watch](#)

[Declare ECF Year 2 ECT Development Cycles 5 and 6 double seminar here](#)



Brightspace online learning

From September 2025 (year 2):

- Induction
- Development Cycles 1 & 2
- Development Cycles 3 & 4
- Development Cycle 5

From summer term 2:

- Please start working through Development Cycle 6.



Completed training so far

ECF Year 2 ECT
Welcome
Conference

Development
Cycles 1 & 2

Development
Cycles 3 & 4

Development
Cycles 5 & 6



Coming up in Summer term 2

You are not expected to attend a seminar in summer term 2. Please spend this final half term of the year to work on and complete Development Cycles 5 & 6 on Brightspace.

April 2026: 2025 wave 3 Mentors

A warm welcome to our new group of Mentors who have joined our April 2026 cohort. We are pleased to welcome you to our training programme.

Please review the table below to see where you are up to with your training at the end of this half term and what you have coming up next half term.

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|  | <h3>Events this half term</h3> | <p>Attended the Welcome Conference which included seminar 1.</p> <p>If you attended the event at Altincham Grammar School for Girls your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event 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.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event and have <u>not</u> previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.</p> <p>ECTPM Welcome Conference catch up materials & recordings Declare ECTPM Mentor Welcome Conference including seminar 1 here</p> |
|  | <h3>Brightspace online learning</h3> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome session• Module 1 (commencing module 2 from next half term)• Complete the Diagnostic activity for the relevant module your ECT is working on if you are Mentoring a September 2025, January 2026 or April 2026 Year 1 ECT |
|  | <h3>Completed training so far</h3> |  |
|  | <h3>Coming up in Summer term 2</h3> | <p>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> |

January 2026: 2025 wave 2 Mentors

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|  | Events this half term | You have not been required to attend any seminars or events this half term |
|  | Brightspace online learning | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome session• Module 1• Module 2• Module 3• Complete the Diagnostic activity for the relevant module your ECT is working on if you are Mentoring a September 2025, January 2026 or April 2026 Year 1 ECT <p>From next half term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Module 4 |
|  | Completed training so far |  |
|  | Coming up in Summer term 2 | <p>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>For those of you who are not able to attend this seminar in person, we have sent you details of an alternative plan for your training in order for you to complete the training. Please get in touch with us if you need this to be re-sent: ectp@bright-futures.co.uk</p> |

September 2025: 2025 wave 1 Mentors

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|  | <h3>Seminars this half term</h3> | <p>Attended the double session for seminars 4 and 5.</p> <p>If you attended the seminar your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>If you did not attend the seminar and have <u>not</u> previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Seminars 4 and 5 recording</u> <u>Declare ECTPM Mentor seminars 4 and 5 here</u></p> |
|  | <h3>Brightspace online learning</h3> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome• Modules 1 - 5• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025, January 2026 or April 2026 Year 1 ECT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• From next half term:• Module 6 |
|  | <h3>Completed training so far</h3> |  <pre>graph LR; A[ECTPM Mentor Welcome Conference including seminar 1] --> B[Seminars 2 and 3]; B --> C[Seminars 4 and 5];</pre> |
|  | <h3>Coming up in Summer term 2</h3> | <p>You will not have any seminars to attend in the final half term.</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 5 and you will commence module 6 on Brightspace in summer term 2.</p> |

April 2025: 2024 wave 3 Mentors

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|  | <h3>Events this half term</h3> | <p>Attended the year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference.</p> <p>If you attended the event at the Nest your engagement has been submitted based on the register taken at the session.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event 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.</p> <p>If you did not attend the event and have <u>not</u> previously informed us that you caught up via a recording, please watch the recording by clicking on the link below and then click on the declare email link below to confirm your engagement.</p> <p>ECF Year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference catch up materials & recordings</p> <p>Declare ECF Year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference here</p> |
|  | <h3>Brightspace online learning</h3> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed the first year 2 mentor assessment which is located inside Development Cycle 1 - this is a mandatory element to achieve your DfE accreditation.• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025, January 2026 or April 2026 Year 1 ECT |
|  | <h3>Completed training so far (year 2 of the programme)</h3> |  |
|  | <h3>Coming up in Summer term 2</h3> | <p>Your first year 2 seminar will take place in the Autumn term 26/27 for 'The Adaptive Teacher'. You should have completed a booking form to select and confirm attendance. There are 2 date options for this seminar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wednesday 11th November 2026: 3.30-4.30pm via Zoom with Emma Taylor: https://bright-futures-co-uk.zoom.us/j/84874788003• Thursday 12th November 2026 2026: 4-5pm via Zoom with Emma Taylor: https://bright-futures-co-uk.zoom.us/j/84874788003 <p>Please attend on the best date for you.</p> |

January 2025: 2024 wave 2 Mentors



Seminars this half term

You have not been required to attend any seminars or events this half term



Brightspace online learning

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



Completed training so far (in year 2 of the programme)

ECF Year 2 Mentor Welcome Conference








Coming up in Summer term 2

Your first year 2 seminar will take place in summer term 2 for 'The Inclusive Educator'. You should have completed a booking form to select and confirm attendance. There are 3 date/time options for this seminar:

- Monday 15th June 2026 4-5pm via Zoom with Emma Taylor: <https://bright-futures-co-uk.zoom.us/j/84874788003>
- Tuesday 16th June 2026 8am-9am via Zoom with Emma Taylor: <https://bright-futures-co-uk.zoom.us/j/84874788003>
- Tuesday 16th June 2026 3.30-4.30pm via Zoom with Emma Taylor: <https://bright-futures-co-uk.zoom.us/j/84874788003>

Please attend on the best date for you.

September 2024: 2024 wave 1 Mentors

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|  | Seminars this half term | <p>You have not been required to attend any seminars or events this half term</p> |
|  | Brightspace online learning | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed the first year 2 mentor assessment which is located inside Development Cycle 1 - this is a mandatory element to achieve your DfE accreditation.• Diagnostics for relevant modules if you mentor a September 2025, January 2026 or April 2026 Year 1 ECT• For next half term:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Complete the final year 2 mentor assessment which is located inside Development Cycle 6 - this is a mandatory element to achieve your DfE accreditation. |
|  | Completed training so far (in year 2 of the programme) |  |
|  | Coming up in Summer term 2 | <p>Your final year 2 seminar will take place in summer term 2 for 'The Inclusive Educator'. You should have completed a booking form to select and confirm attendance. There are 3 date/time options for this seminar. Please email us if you need a copy of your chosen date and time.</p> <p>If you are part of the The Co-operative Academy Trust, your Trust will be hosting and running your final seminar of the programme. Please contact your Central Trust team if you need a copy of the seminar date.</p> |