

Mastery Readiness

Work Group Information

NCP 19-11



Overview

In 2019/20, all Maths Hubs will be running primary mathematics Mastery Readiness Work Groups led by Mastery Readiness Leads. This programme is for schools who have a commitment to developing a teaching for mastery approach in the long term and who currently require support for improving mathematics teaching, learning and leadership. Although the participation involves two teachers attending events outside of the school, it is expected that these two teachers have the opportunity to lead developments across the whole school. Each Maths Hub is now seeking to recruit schools for Work Groups, each involving up to eight schools.

Who is this for?

Mastery Readiness is designed for schools who are not yet in a position to develop teaching for mastery but want to in the future. **The Work Groups are intended for schools in the following circumstances:**

- Have not been part of a Teaching for Mastery Work Group previously (Essential)
- And at least one of the following:**
- Has been judged at RI or Inadequate for at least their most recent Ofsted inspection
 - Has low progress or attainment data for mathematics across the school
 - Has been identified, by their Local Authority, as being suitable for the programme
 - Is in an area of low social mobility such as Opportunity Areas, Category 5/6 areas
 - Identifies as needing additional support for leadership of mathematics
 - Has a high turnover of staff, meaning that the implementation of sustained change can be difficult
 - Another identifiable reason for being unable to engage in developing Teaching for Mastery yet.

Intended Outcomes

Participating in the Work Group will provide the following benefits to participant schools:

- High quality support for schools including teacher professional development for the lead teachers, facilitated by the Mastery Readiness Lead.
- Support for the headteacher in addressing leadership issues related to improving the teaching, learning and leadership of mathematics from the Mastery Readiness Lead and the Maths Hub leadership team.
- The opportunity to work closely with other schools also at the Mastery Readiness stage.
- Bespoke support to strengthen leadership of mathematics and develop consistent approaches to teaching and learning in mathematics across school.
- Promote and create shared vision, culture and systems within school to support the journey to teaching for mastery.

Expectations of participants and their schools

Schools chosen to participate in the Work Group commit to the following expectations:

- The lead teachers will participate in half termly workshops with the Mastery Readiness Lead and complete gap tasks.
- The lead teachers will be released to work with Mastery Readiness Lead for half-day school visits each half term.
- The headteacher will meet with the Mastery Readiness Lead regularly during the bespoke school visits.
- The school will introduce a vision for implementing teaching for mastery approaches across the school, and will actively work on an action plan in order for the school to be Mastery Ready by the end of 2019/20. This could include introducing or developing collaborative, in-school professional development models to support all teachers and teaching assistants.
- The school will provide any reports required by the Maths Hub and participate in any evaluation processes required.
- The school will continue to work with other schools in the Teaching for Mastery Work Group for the year 2020/21 and beyond.

Funding

There is no charge to schools participating in the Mastery Readiness Work Group and no charge for the bespoke support of the Mastery Readiness Lead. Schools will be eligible for financial benefits in the following year when they join the Teaching for Mastery Development Work Group.

Who is leading the Work Group?

Mastery Readiness Leads - Claire Martin and Linda Lavagna-Slater.

If you are interested, what next?

Schools interested in applying to be part of a Mastery Readiness Work Group in 2019/20 should complete an application form and submit it to Lisa Bradshaw email: Lisa.Bradshaw@three-saints.org.uk

For further information about Mastery Readiness Programme, please contact Claire Martin claire@mathsandmore.co.uk

Early applications are encouraged. NW 3 will be taking expressions of interest from the following areas:

St Helens, Liverpool, Knowsley, Sefton and Wigan.