

At the National Association for Able Children in Education (NACE), we believe teachers' professional development is critical to meeting the needs of the more able learner, and providing a challenging and enriching education for all learners.

Our training programmes and conferences are focused on improving and evaluating learner outcomes. Grounded in research and best practice examples, they provide opportunities for school leaders, teachers and coordinators to work collaboratively with fellow educators and experts from across the UK.

Leading and developing more able provision

- 26 September 2017, London ●
- 9 November 2017, Manchester ●
- 16 November 2017, Wellingborough ●
- 21 November 2017, Bristol ●
- 12 June 2018, London ●

- 17 October 2017, Newcastle ●
- 7 February 2018, London ●
- 8 February 2018, London ●
- 27 March 2018, Chester ●
- 25 April 2018, Bristol ●
- 26 April 2018, Bristol ●

New to leading on more able

A one-day introduction for those new to leading on more able provision – covering more able policy review, school-wide coordination, guidance on identification and tracking, and practical ideas for teaching and learning. Offered throughout the year at both primary and secondary levels, this course is ideal for anyone taking on the role of more able lead/coordinator for the first time.

Challenge in the everyday classroom

Suitable for more able coordinators, classroom teachers and senior management, this popular one-day course provides an overview of the latest research, national policy and effective practice in provision for more able learners – available at both primary and secondary levels. Update your knowledge base, refresh your resource library, and explore a range of creative approaches to supporting the more able learner in the context of challenge for all.

Curriculum development

- Date TBC, London ●

"Teaching from the top": English in the context of the new GCSE

This one-day resource-rich workshop will focus on practical strategies to challenge and engage more able learners in the secondary English classroom, with a focus on maintaining progression and bridging gaps. It will explore key building blocks for teaching and learning – including explanation, modelling, developing reasoning and argument, scaffolding, questioning, task design for depth and breadth, independence, active learning, and critical and advanced thinking.

- 15 March 2018, York ●

English for the more able learner

Award-winning author and former Children's Laureate Anne Fine will open this national conference, focusing on English provision for more able learners at primary level. Bringing together leading thinkers and practitioners in the field, this promises to be an unmissable day of ideas and inspiration to ensure more able learners are fully engaged, challenged and inspired to fulfil their potential through the English primary curriculum.

- 3 October 2017, Banbury ●

Engaging and challenging able foreign language learners

Aimed at department heads, teachers and subject specialists, this two-part course explores the evolving national context for modern foreign language teaching, with a focus on pedagogical principles to increase challenge and engagement. In this second part of the course, attendees will reconvene to share schemes of work for collaborative review and development.

Member-only events

29 November 2017, London ●●

Spring term, location TBC

Summer term, location TBC

Termly ●●

Member meetups

Join our free member meetups to exchange ideas and resources with fellow more able coordinators, discuss hot topics with our panel of experts, and extend your professional network. Meetups are held termly, in locations across the country. For details of the next meetup, visit the members' area of the NACE website or contact membership@nace.co.uk.

Webinars

Interested in developing your understanding of a particular aspect of more able provision or policy? Our free webinars offer expert insight on a range of topics throughout the year, supporting ongoing professional development and peer-to-peer exchange. Webinars are open to all staff at NACE member schools.

Thought leadership

28 June 2018, Cardiff ●●

Primary ● Secondary ●

Leading Schools Network

New for 2017-18, the NACE Leading Schools Network is open to all schools holding the NACE Challenge Award. Membership of the network is free, offering opportunities to participate in research, help to develop regional hubs, contribute to national consultations, and attend invitation-only events including panel discussions, leadership forums and networking.

Cymru Conference

Our 2017-18 events programme culminates with the NACE Cymru Conference, bringing together NACE Challenge Award schools and members from across Wales to discuss developments in provision for more able and talented (MAT) learners. Get up to speed on the latest research and policy, exchange ideas with fellow MAT leaders, and take away practical action points to improve your school-wide MAT provision.

How to book and find out more

Visit www.nace.co.uk/events for full details and to book your place. Early-bird rates are available for some advance bookings.



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