

Partner and Affiliate School Bulletin: Summer 2025

Just like that the 25-26 academic year is coming to a close. This year seems to have flown by faster than any other! We will shortly be able to update you on the latest NCLE developments and the role we'll play in supporting language teachers across Birmingham, Stoke and Staffordshire in the next academic year. In the meantime, please see below details of two exciting events this half-term.

AI and Technology - Developing Languages for the Future.
Wednesday 11th June. 4.00pm - 5.00pm on Zoom.



Led by Joe Dale, and featuring input from TTLH's very own Chris Parry, this free NCLE national webinar will explore innovative ideas on how AI and technology can be used to empower language teachers and inspire language learners.

- How to use AI to create songs and develop listening skills,
- How to enrich GCSE speaking practice through chatbots,
- How to strengthen curriculum and lesson planning

The session will also share practical ideas, answer your questions, and offer reassurance about the role of AI and technology in shaping the future for languages.

[Register on the NCLE website](#)

One year in. Reflecting on the new GCSE. What's working? What's not working?
What are you going to do about it?

Thursday 26th June 1.00pm – 4.00pm at the Arthur Terry School, B74 4RZ.

Led by Tracy Williams, this teach meet will provide an opportunity to join with secondary colleagues from across the region to take stock on the first year of delivering the new GCSE.



Language HODS across the country are asking the same questions:

- What are you doing about learning the defined word list?
- How are you teaching all the grammar? Do we even need to teach it all?
- Are you following the published textbooks? Are they helping students to make progress?
- How are you preparing students for the 'spontaneous' elements of the speaking exam?
- What about assessment and grade boundaries?

Join us for an afternoon of input, collaboration, action planning and cake!

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What's on your gained time to do list? [The TTLH blog](#) might have answers to some of your questions.

Recent Posts:

- [Establishing a Language Ambassador Programme](#)
- [Making Language Learning Relevant](#)
- [Motivating learners to become linguists](#)
- [Gimagine and the DofE programme](#)
- [Making Ks2 to Ks3 transition more effective.](#)

Coming Soon:

- Using AI chatbots to develop spontaneous speech
- Encouraging creative writing in Language lessons
- Takeaways from Language World
 - Decolonising the curriculum
 - The emerging picture of the new GCSE
 - Using AI to write TL songs