

# Portsmouth PEIA News

The second and final year of the Portsmouth Education Investment Area project, which is utilising DfE funding with the aim of improving outcomes at Key Stages 2 and 4, commenced in the summer term and we have got off to a brilliant start, with sign ups for many programmes and initiatives available to education settings.

Please keep an eye on the [PEIA](#) section of the PEP website, which details everything that we have on offer plus information on dates and how to sign up. For any enquiries, email Lauren Roe at [lauren.roe@portsmouthcc.gov.uk](mailto:lauren.roe@portsmouthcc.gov.uk).

## SUMMER TERM HIGHLIGHTS

### EEF WRITING SUPPORT FOR SCHOOLS

Through the previous academic year, 12 primary schools worked closely with Sarah Hilditch on EEF research-based pedagogy and best practice in writing. We are delighted to see some incredible impact across both Key Stage 1 and 2 writing scores, with **one setting citing children achieving EXS+ in writing increase by 19%!**

We would like to thank all 12 schools for their commitment and engagement and we look forward to seeing the impact this work brings in Year 2 of PEIA.

### THE BIG CITY READ

The wonderful Big City Read event was held again on 4th July, giving the chance for 2800 students across 39 of our schools the chance to watch David Baddiel share parts of his wonderful book, *The Parent Agency 10th Anniversary Edition*.

Every Year 6 child received a copy of the book through PEIA funding, and we now look forward to the children sharing their knowledge and enthusiasm at their new schools in Year 7, through the related transition projects.

A reminder to all Secondary schools that we have support for planning and resources available. Please email Rachel Tatton at ALNS on [rtatton@alns.co.uk](mailto:rtatton@alns.co.uk) for further information.

## PEIA Year 2

There are **29 different engagement opportunities** across Priorities 1-4 in Year 2 of the PEIA.

**147 sign ups** have already come in for our Year 2 initiatives.

**Collaboration is key. We now have:**

- **50 Digital Champions** through the Digital Strategy
- **5 Destination Reader lead practitioners** working with **23 schools**
- **Year 7 Big City Read transition support** from **ALNS** and **Copnor Primary school staff**
- **Leadership and training opportunities** such as **sharing practice school visits** and **subject leadership training courses**.



# Year 1 Highlights and Year 2 Horizons

The Digital offer has seen **engagement from 62 schools** across the city, with Gemma and the team bringing home **FOUR awards in Year 1 of the PEIA**, including the TTS Education 'Impactful Use of Technology Award'.

Year 2 will see the **50+ Digital Champions** continue to work across the city, and the offer will become a traded service to ensure its longevity. Find out more [here](#).

Through our Priority 1 writing support offer, **10 of our participating primary schools have seen a significant increase in pupils achieving EXS+ in their Key Stage 1 and 2 writing scores**.

This work will continue into Year 2, with **more focus on facilitating collaboration between schools**. Our Destination Reader programme will continue, with dates available for additional training and support throughout the year and, as always, bespoke support from our 5 DR lead practitioners. For information on this priority and how to sign up, click [here](#).

The Priority 2 Maths Primary Network Group saw excellent engagement in year 1 of the PEIA, with **over 30 schools in regular attendance and over £10,000 worth of exciting resources shared** amongst participating schools and **bespoke training** on how to get the best from using them in the classroom.

In Year 2, following the success of the Mastering Number programme, schools will have an opportunity to attend a **fully-funded refresher programme**. **Over 20 schools have already signed up** for this opportunity. If you would like to sign up or find out more, click [here](#).

Our Priority 3 support and enhancement arm of the Attendance Team has worked with every school in Portsmouth, providing a variety of support to schools and families. **38 families who were SA in the Autumn term 2023 had moved to above PA by the end of Summer 1**; we hope that **continued collaboration between schools and the team** and the excellent work happening in settings across the city continues to go from strength to strength in Year 2.

Our 'at risk of NEET' intervention, which utilises exciting VR technology, saw **over 100 referrals from schools in Year 1 of the PEIA, and over a third of those young people engaging with real enthusiasm**. In Year 2, we hope to harness the success with those key young people and continue the intervention, inviting **new Year 10s**, who we know that **our legacy cohort can support with the confidence and experience that they have gained through their engagement in Year 1 of the PEIA**. Click [here](#) to find out more about how to sign up for any of these opportunities.

Priority 4 saw very good sign up to the programmes on offer in Year 1, with the **Pupil Premium Network and SEN in Mainstream Group both oversubscribed**. We look forward to seeing some existing programmes move into implementation work in Year 2, and new programmes such as Secondary TA CPD launching in the Autumn term. Click [here](#) to sign up.

## SHOWCASE: PEIA SUPPORT FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

LITERACY AUDIT TOOLKITS

BIG CITY READ TRANSITION PROJECT

ED PSYCH READING SUPPORT

SECONDARY ENGLISH NETWORK GROUP

CAREERS VR GROUP WORK

ATTENDANCE SUPPORT

YR5-8 MATHS TRANSITION

MATHS BESPOKE VISITS

SECONDARY TA CPD

PUPIL PREMIUM NETWORK GROUPS

FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT ANY OF THESE FULLY-FUNDED OPPORTUNITIES, PLEASE EMAIL PEIA COORDINATOR, [LAUREN ROE](#).