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Dear Colleague

**Bidford on Avon and Alcester Early Years Aspiration Network Launch**

**2nd December 2020, 4pm – 5pm**

You are warmly invited to join me for the launch of the **Early Years Aspiration Network**, where you can meet with other practitioners from early years settings within the locality and find out about how to be involved and the benefits of being part of your own local network.

The **Early Years Aspiration Networks** meet 5 or 6 times each year. They are open to all early years practitioners working with children aged birth to five in schools and PVI settings and are free to attend.

The networks are provided by Warwickshire Teaching School Alliance (WTSA) working in partnership with Warwickshire County Council to support quality improvement, workforce development and to grow early years networking opportunities. Overwhelming evidence from research indicates that high quality early learning is essential in giving children the concrete start they need to achieve better outcomes in school and beyond. Children who experience high quality provision will develop better social, emotional and cognitive abilities.

The aim of the network is to provide information, advice and support for schools and early years providers with a key focus on the specific characteristics of the locality, along with some cross county themes.

Each meeting will have an agenda based on the areas below and local needs identified by data analysis and Ofsted feedback.

For example:

· effective teaching, learning and assessment

· effective practice for the 30 hours model

· vulnerable learners, closing the gap

· what ‘good’ or better practice looks like and how to achieve it

· the leadership of quality improvement and professional pathways

· action research & learning from innovation

· communication & language development

· family engagement in learning

Coming soon to the aspiration networks will be a training session facilitated by Ben Kingston Hughes, of Inspired Children Ltd. Ben will be leading a session on bringing maths to life.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm attendance by emailing me at

[soniawaszczak@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:soniawaszczak@warwickshire.gov.uk)

The meeting link is included in the email sent with this invitation.

I look forward to seeing you in the meeting.

Yours sincerely

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