



NAPE Autumn 2024

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Welcome to this Autumn edition of NAPE News. I hope you enjoyed a restful Summer break and feel refreshed, ready for the term ahead.

The National Council met online on 21st September following our AGM at which I am delighted to report that **Professor Mick Waters was elected as our new president**. Mick has been a long-standing member of NAPE and his very well-respected views on education make him a leading voice in the UK who will represent us magnificently. All other officers remain in post, thank you to all of them for their continued hard work and loyalty. **The National Executive** met online on the 3rd of July; minutes are available to members via the website.

We continue to be part of the **More Than a Score coalition**, which have maintained their high profile campaign against the moving targets at the DfE and will be intensifying activities over the next year, you might be moved, as I was, by the forthcoming videos made by Headteachers and children, a taste of which can be seen [here](#)

Our Podcast continues to attract high quality interviewees and can be accessed through the address above or here: <https://www.educationonfire.com/national-association-for-primary-education/>

You should have recently received the latest edition of our journal **Primary First**, archived editions of which can also be accessed on the website. We are always happy to receive contributions from our members, so please get in touch with editor Robert Morgan if you'd like to write something.

We continue to facilitate the **Primary Umbrella Group**, which brings together all of the various subject associations who have an interest in Primary Education. At the online meeting on 7th October, we were addressed by **Professor Dominic Wyse**, Director of Helen Hamlyn Centre for Pedagogy, UCLIoE. With **Charlotte Hacking**, Learning and Programme Director at CLPE (Centre for Literacy in Primary Education) on their recent publication *The **Balancing Act***, a major research initiative in reading and writing

We have received **details of a number of initiatives by the BBC Teach team**, who continue to produce programmes which are welcome in many classrooms.

500 Words - Yes, the UK's biggest children's story writing competition is back! Children will explore how a simple everyday object can ignite creativity, spark story ideas, and help shape compelling characters. For more information about the 500 Words competition, please visit: <https://bit.ly/47aEW14>

Live Lessons - For more information about the Live Lessons coming up during the autumn term and beyond, please visit: <https://bit.ly/4cX0Be9>

BBC Ten Pieces - A new collection of works by women composers will be available later this term. For more information about the new BBC Ten Pieces collection, please visit: <https://bit.ly/3ALYYTf>

Other Side of the Story - Other Side of the Story empowers students to be more critical and curious about what they see and share online. For more information about Other Side of the Story, please visit: <https://bit.ly/4gryDum>

Let's Move - BBC presenters, Naomi Wilkinson and Nigel Clarke, have teamed up to create four fantastic dance sessions for Key Stage 1. The Let's Move resources can be used in the school hall or classroom to help deliver dance within PE lessons. To find out more about Let's Move, please visit: <https://bit.ly/4gcSDQW>

Step-by-Step - has been created for teachers who are completely new to teaching dance or are just looking for new ideas. For more information about Step-by-Step, please visit: <https://bit.ly/4e98kHm>

The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse: A Musical for Schools - For primary schools in search of ideas for their next musical performance, a new playscript is available. The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse: For more information please visit: <https://bit.ly/47g1UDK>

The Government is looking for schools to take part in the Breakfast clubs early adopter scheme Schools wanting to find out more about becoming an early adopter can sign up using the [early adopter breakfast clubs expression of interest form](#) to be notified when further information becomes available.

Anti-Bullying Week takes place from 11 to 15 November 2024 with a theme this year of 'Choose respect' – learn more and access free resources from VotesforSchools Click [here](#) to sign up.

New ICO tool to help FOI request handlers in small public authorities

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) has published a new checklist to help FOI practitioners working in small public authorities.

Our colleagues at **The Oxford School of Thought** have produced a proposal which would help **improve the way Primary Schools are inspected**. It will be interesting to see if the DfE and Ofsted take any notice. You can access it [here](#).

A very late contribution has arrived from pop-up.org.uk/childrenforchange you can access the details by clicking on this illustration by Axel Scheffler

