



Dear Parents/Guardian

**Are you interested in training to become a teacher?  
Right now could be the best time to begin your journey**

Our school is part of a growing number, leading the way for school-led teacher training. This is really important to us because we have the opportunity to select and develop trainees into some of tomorrow's best teachers: Being able to choose who we train in turn enables us to deliver the best outcomes for the students within our partnership schools.

Our ITT recruitment is managed by the nationally designated North Devon Teaching School Alliance; of which we are a partner school. Based in North Devon, the NDTSA has many years' experience in providing a hugely successful training programme to support both Primary and Secondary phase students in their journey to teaching. Each host school has specialist staff, trained to offer ongoing support, in line with The University of Exeter's model.

Vacancies are currently open, to start training from September 2021 and we would be very interested to hear from anyone who is thinking of becoming a teacher. We are looking for people who have (or will have) a Degree, along with a passion for teaching and the desire to inspire young people to fulfil their potential.

On the following dates NDTSA will be hosting virtual 'Open Day' Questions & Answers opportunities:-

**Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 1<sup>st</sup> March and 22<sup>nd</sup> March (16:00-16:30).**

NDTSA staff will be on hand to answer any questions you have, as well as providing support with and guidance on your application form. School Experience can also be offered, should you want a taster of what teaching could be like\*. Please book your free place now and find out more by visiting:-

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/virtual-open-day-tickets-137792568281>

or by emailing NDTSA on:- [info@ndtsa.org](mailto:info@ndtsa.org)

Further information about training to teach is also available on the NDTSA website

<http://ndtsa.org/schools-direct-itt/>

For general information on what becoming a teacher might involve, you can also visit

<http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching>.

Please note: Places for Secondary Physical Education have now been filled for 2021-22; however, you may wish to begin your teaching journey from September 2022 so please feel free to find out more about this.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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\*Under Government and local Covid-19 restrictions we are currently unable to offer School Experience; however, we shall reintroduce this as soon as we are able to do so.