

# English Subject Leaders Networks

## The support you need to make changes stick

### What is the English Subject Leader Network?

The network sessions enable subject leaders to keep up to date with an ever-changing educational landscape. Using a tried and tested framework, the networks give a wealth of opportunities for teachers to come together, share ideas and develop their roles. Network sessions are hosted by experts, with a deep understanding of both the teaching and leading of English. They also understand the specific needs of Norfolk schools, making the networks work for their delegates.

### What are the benefits?

Networks equip delegates with essential knowledge they need to be effective subject leaders. They receive a curated selection of the most important local and national updates alongside key practice developments in English, giving them confidence to make decisions in school. Each session includes a specific subject leader focus to ensure that delegates are able to act effectively. We maintain a consistent subject knowledge focus across sessions; driven by the delegates, this ensures that all training and support is relevant to their needs. The networks also consider common themes of assessment, monitoring and staff support, giving subject leaders practical in-school strategies.

Subject leaders also have an opportunity to collaborate with others in similar positions. These partnerships are hugely beneficial and leave delegates refocused, reassured and inspired in their role back in schools. To further support this process, delegates have access to English advisers, who can offer school-specific support and guidance on the day.

### What is their impact?

**“Feeling confident in what I'm doing, knowing that I'm following the correct procedures.”**

**“As an experienced teacher, but new to the area, the network meetings make me feel very supported and 'in touch'.”**

**“A very practical, clear approach to subject leadership.”**

**“As always very, helpful and informative - MANY thanks!”**

# 100%

of delegates over the five Spring 2018 network sessions gave good or excellent ratings for the structure, content, quality and relevance of the training.

Source: Customer feedback responses from five network sessions, Spring 2018

### What's involved?

Over the year, the English Subject Leader networks involve three full-day sessions. During these, delegates have the chance to share and celebrate good practice taking place in their school, and to contribute to focused discussions. New for the 2018-19 academic year, delegates are also invited to opt-in to additional 'Priority Focus' twilight. These run parallel to the network days over the year; themes identified in the main network sessions allow subject leaders to join a 'theme track' that best suits their school needs. They will be given structured support and guidance to achieve sustainable change, as well as the opportunity to build links and collaborate with other leaders with a shared focus.

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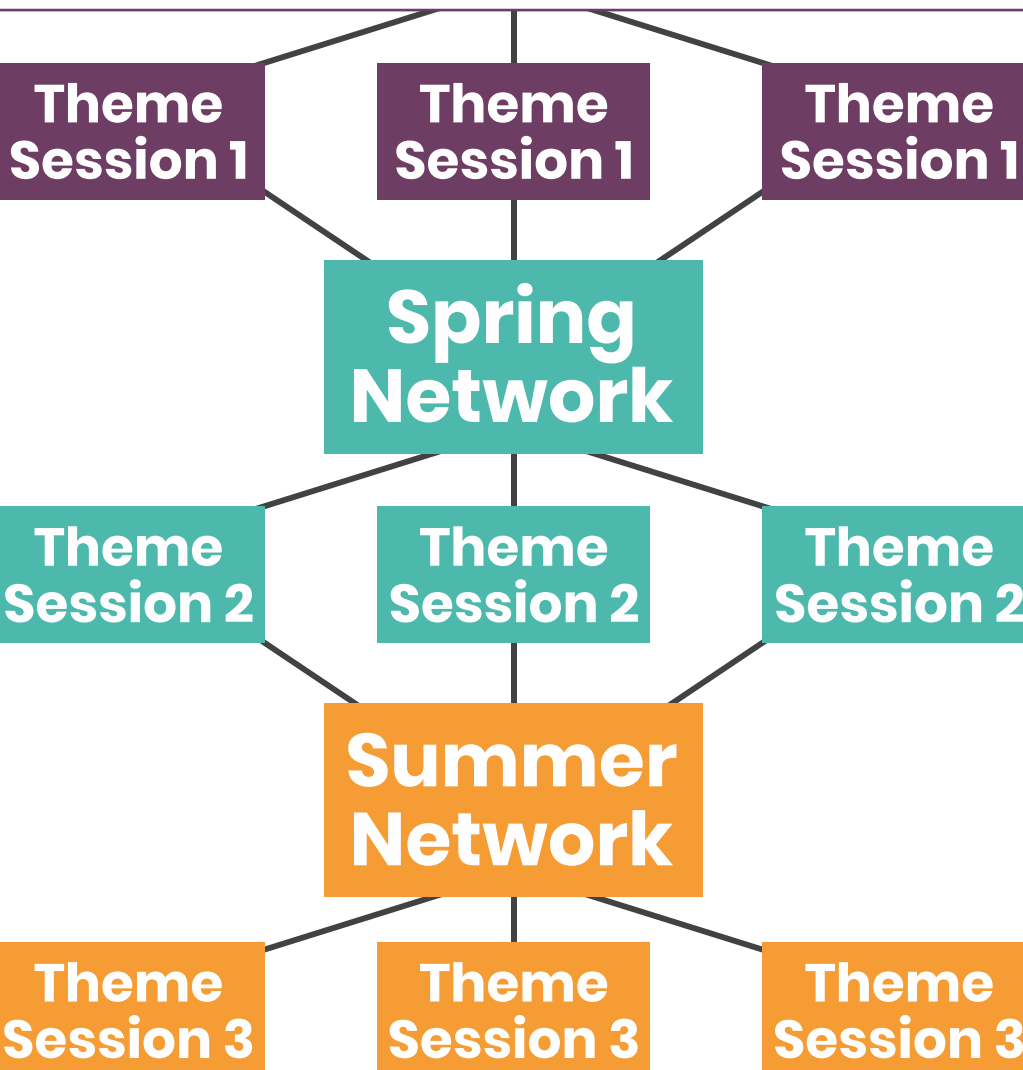
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2018–2019

## Autumn Network

After the initial network, subject leaders can elect to join one of three Theme Groups. These groups will focus on a particular aspect of English subject leadership; priorities will be identified and participants will have the opportunity to work collaboratively over the course of the year. Three structured twilight sessions will be hosted between each network day, providing access to expert advice and support and guiding subject leader actions in school for maximum impact. Participants will also have access to an online repository of support materials to assist them in school.



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