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This email is sent to all members of the LASGB, covering information which we hope you will find of interest. Your comments on the contents of the email, or any other matters, will be very welcome. For more information about the LASGB please email johnmdavey@btinternet.com.

LASGB Spring Mini-Conference

Date for your diary. The next LASGB Mini-Conference, “**A Broad and Balanced Curriculum KS3 & 4**”, will be held at the Ribby Hall Conference Centre, Ribby Road, Wrea Green PR4 2PR on 8th March at 18:30 for refreshments. The speaker will be Paul Dyson-Knight, Team Leader Secondary Advisors at LCC. As with all our conferences, all governors from member governing bodies are welcome. Book your place early using this link, [click here](#). Although this is a secondary subject, it may be of value to primary governors to see how children are expected to develop post 11 and to primary governors who may be secondary in the future. Please remember to add any LASGB conferences to your training record.

We are restyling our mini-conferences to WORKSHOPS as this better reflects the interactive nature of the evenings.

Have you an idea for a workshop, is there something that you wish to discuss then please let us know [click here](#).

23rd LASGB Annual Conference

Early notification of the 23rd LASGB Annual Conference to be held at the Best Western Premier Hallmark Hotel Preston, Leyland, Leyland Way, Leyland, Preston PR25 4JX on Saturday 20th May 2017. Key note speaker will be [Dr. Christine Hough](#). Registration from 9:00 with the conference starting at 9:30. The conference will end by 13:30.

Growing level of exclusions.

As the level of exclusions grows in both primary and secondary sectors across the country, what happens to those who leave mainstream education and end up in alternative provision? Places in Lancashire short stay schools can be difficult to find. Please listen to the BBC Radio 4 File on Four programme “[Outclassed: The Kids Excluded from School](#)” broadcast 26/02/2017. This programme reveals the best and the worst of alternative provision across the country and is not a comment on alternative provision in Lancashire.

Consultations and BBC Survey on Schools’ National Funding Formula

The closing date for the latest consultation on the Schools National Funding Formula is 22nd March 2017. Have you entered your response? If not please see the link below and the attached file that contains the LASGB response to the consultation. You may be aware that the schools' forum has responded as has the LASGB but it is important to remember the responses from these bodies count as one response just as an individual governors response counts as one so it is important that you consider responding. [DoE National Funding Formula](#) and follow the link on the page to the Online Survey.

The BBC want to know how school governors and trustees are managing the challenges of the school budgets. The survey closes at midnight on Sunday 8th March. [Click here to complete the BBC funding survey](#).



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Relationships and Sex Education (SRE)

Justin Greening, education secretary, announced this week that she wants to put SRE on a statutory footing “so every child has access to age appropriate provision”. Measures will be included in the [Children and Social Work Bill](#). The move will require:

- all primary schools in England to teach age-appropriate 'relationships education'
- all secondary schools in England to teach age-appropriate 'relationships and sex education'

The Department for Education will "lead a comprehensive programme of engagement to set out age-appropriate subject content and identify the support schools need to deliver high-quality teaching".

Retention and Recruitment

Are you having difficulty recruiting teachers? The education select committee published their report on the “Retention and Recruitment of Teachers”. The report concludes that the shortage of teachers continues to be a challenge in certain regions and in certain subjects. The committee feels that the government policy on the recruitment of new teachers is necessary to help resolve issues but sees the retention of qualified teachers as a more cost effective policy that “would strengthen the pool of leadership positions.” To find links to the summary, conclusions, recommendations and the full report [click here](#).

LASGB Awards

LASGB Support for Governors

Please remember that LASGB is here to help you. If you have any concerns, require support, have a subject you would like us to bring to conference or the mini-conferences please don't hesitate to contact:- John Davey, chair; Chris McConnachie, vice-chair, or Bill Hodgson, president, using our corporate e-mail admin@lasgb.org.uk.

Any one for the e-newsletter

Please email chris.mcconnachie@virgin.net with any change or corrections to your email details.

Remember - there is no limit to the number of your Governors who can receive these LASGB e-newsletters so if any of you know of anyone who would like to receive this directly please contact Chris or get them to e-mail.

All words in blue and underscored are links to create an e-mail or to a web page. Hover your pointer over them then ctrl+click.