



**Education Support Case Study:  
English Subject Leader Network 2015/16**

**The EES for Schools English Subject Leader Network is a subscription which provides schools with access to the latest information, peer networks, and effective support and development across the year. Each subscription ensures that schools have the latest information on aspects of learning and teaching, assessment, curriculum provision and leadership as well as access to innovative curriculum workshops and opportunities to share practice with other schools. The 2015/16 subscription was subscribed to by over 70 schools across Essex, with subscribing schools representing a range of settings, including infant, junior and primary phases as well as those with Academy status.**

As part of the subscription, each school received access to three half-day Professional Development sessions, which were primarily focused on:

- development of early reading and writing and the teaching of grammar in context
- the use of the interim framework descriptors and gathering evidence for reading and writing assessment
- developing early language and the use of IT to promote writing, including CHATTA workshop

In addition to these sessions all subscribers were able to access the termly Subject Leader updates, providing the most up-to-date information linked to leadership and development of the English Curriculum.

All Subject Leaders also received regular updates, news alerts, resources via email and had access to advice at any point from an EES for Schools Lead Adviser.

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*All courses have been excellent, with Julie giving great suggestions, information and support.*

**English Subject Leader, Friars Grove Primary, Colchester**

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On average, schools who subscribed to the Primary English Networks were above national and Essex averages at the end of Key Stage 1.

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Subscription Average</b>	<b>National Average</b>	<b>Essex Average</b>
KS1 reading at expected standard	79%	74%	77%
KS1 reading at greater depth	29%	28%	24%
KS1 writing at expected standard	70%	66%	68%
KS1 writing at greater depth	17%	13%	17%
KS2 reading and writing was in line with national averages of 66% for reading and 1% above national in writing at 75%			

For schools who also undertook the Leading on Spelling subscription the following increases were identified in writing outcomes:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Subscription Average</b>	<b>National Average</b>	<b>Essex Average</b>
KS1 writing	73%	66%	68%
KS2 writing	85%	74%	76%

For schools who also undertook the Leading on Phonics Subscription the outcomes of the Y1 screening check showed:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Subscription Average</b>	<b>National Average</b>	<b>Essex Average</b>
Y1 phonics check	87%	81%	81%

Evaluations from subscribing schools showed 100% good or better customer satisfaction, with 65% of those very good.

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