

Kent Association of Headteachers

Kent Headteachers working together to improve outcomes for Kent children.

**WEST BOARD
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Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to this first edition of the Kent Association of Headteachers' area board newsletter. The Kent Association of Headteachers (KAH) is here for every Kent school and every school is a member. Work of the KAH includes the distribution and monitoring of collaborative funding—however its role is ever-developing and covers many aspects of school improvement. Working closely with the Local Authority we aim to use local knowledge to support those most vulnerable schools and to support “good” schools on their journey to “outstanding.” Having met as a “WEST Board” on a termly basis, we would like to develop our work further over the next year.

Whilst the KAH has been in existence for several years, we have seen the greatest impact this year especially through the collaborative funding which KAH are now responsible for awarding and monitoring.

I would like to wish all colleagues a restful summer holiday and I look forward to working with you during the next academic year. Lots of challenges ahead, notably the new NC and SEN—but together I am confident we can survive life after levels!

Kind regards,

John Harrison, Headteacher—Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys, KAH West Chair



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COLLABORATIVE FUNDING

Schools within the West Area have directly benefited from Collaborative funding, agreed by the Funding Forum. We look forward to seeing the impact of this funding during the next academic year.

£ 399,520 allocated across West Kent

£ 160,000 in Maidstone

£ 84,020 in Tunbridge Wells

£ 155,500 in Tonbridge and Malling



A MASSIVE CONGRATULATIONS to

PAM JONES (Chair KAH) who has been awarded an OBE in The Queen's Birthday Honours. Pam joins other hardworking, dedicated Heads who have been recognised for their services to education. Congratulations!



A date for your diary...

7th October 2014

Ashford International Hotel

KAH Headteacher Conference—“Glimpsing the Future... A World of Possibility” - **BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW** via CPD online

Your West Board Chair is John Harrison. Please contact him or any other member of The West Board if you have any support matters you wish to discuss. jharrison@twgsboys.kent.sch.uk