

# NAACE NEWSLETTER



September 2019

## NAACE AGM 2020

The Annual General Meeting will take place during the BETT exhibition and conference at ExCel London at 1.00 pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020.

We have, once again, been given a meeting room by ITE (the BETT organisers) and are grateful to them for their generosity. We know that the room is in the North Gallery Suite and will finalise the location in the December edition of the Newsletter.

We hope that as many Naace members as possible will join us at BETT and attend the AGM.

More on our extended involvement at BETT2020 later in this edition of the Newsletter.

## THE NEW NAACE WEBSITE

The new Naace website <https://naace.org.uk> goes live on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September and is the culmination of a huge amount of work by Board members and our programmer, David Viner at Advisory Matters. Particular thanks are due to Laurence Boulter who has overseen the whole process and Matt Rogers who has been responsible for uploading much of the content and liaising with our PR advisers TMPR.

We have deliberately chosen to launch the site as a “minimum viable product” and will be adding additional features and content prior to a launch of the full site at BETT2020 in January. The site currently contains a full archive of the Advancing Education journal, a selection of the Essential Guides and a few of the Primary Resources that, despite their age, are still used by many schools. There are also blogs from Board members, information on Naace Partners and offers for members from some of the Partners.

**Existing Naace members should watch out for an email with instructions on how to log-in to the new site.**

For anyone reading this email who is not a current Naace member. We have a range of membership options available, so whether you're new to the edtech community, or a stalwart champion for the use of technology in education, please do get involved. We're looking to build a community willing to share thoughts and opinions on how we can support educators and learners alike.

[Join the Re-Naace-ance.](#)

We're looking forward to hearing from you!

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss membership, please contact: [membership@naace.org.uk](mailto:membership@naace.org.uk)

## NEW ICT MARK AND NAACEMARK SCHOOLS

The end of the summer term proved to be a very busy period for ICT Mark and NaaceMark assessments. Schools who completed their audit using the “old” SRF Tool ([naacesrf.com](http://naacesrf.com)) were assessed for the ICT Mark whilst those schools used the new SRF Tool ([naacesrf.co.uk](http://naacesrf.co.uk)) were assessed for the NaaceMark.

Congratulations to the schools below who have been successful during June and July

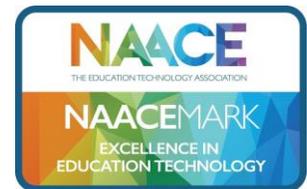
## ICT Mark Schools

- Spring Grove Primary, London
- St Mary's RC Primary,
- Westacre Middle, Droitwich
- St Swithun Wells RC Primary,
- New Delaval Primary,
- St Saviour's CE Primary
- St Peter's RC High, Manchester
- Priory Primary,
- Tenterfields Primary, Wolverhampton
- Christchurch CE Primary, Purley



## NaaceMark Schools

- St Hilary Primary, Penzance
- St Margaret's Preparatory,
- Weston Infant Academy, Stoke-on-Trent
- Weston Junior Academy, Stoke-on-Trent
- Trinity Primary Academy, London



After assessment schools complete an online survey to give us feedback on the assessment day and their experience. This information is then shared with their assessor as part of our quality assurance process.

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*"It is great that there is such a lot of help and support out there if you need it / request it.  
We felt supported throughout the process and even afterwards. I feel I could contact  
NAACE if I ever needed help or advice."*

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## NAACEMARK ASSESSOR UPDATE EVENT

As part of the ongoing updating of ICTMark (now NaaceMark ) Assessors, the final event in this series will take place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at Bolton ICT Centre, Smithills Dean Road, Bolton BL1 6JT, 10am to 12.30pm. All existing assessors who have not responded to past invitations have been emailed about this opportunity to update their status. We look forward to welcoming as many assessors as can attend but please be aware we have a limit of 40 places. Please email: [phil.blackburn@naace.co.uk](mailto:phil.blackburn@naace.co.uk) to book your place.

We are looking at various ways in which assessors can engage with schools in order to introduce them to the new SRF, without meaning they can't assess them later. This is likely to take the form of a half day introduction with a discounted Naace membership fee (that includes the SRF), allowing the assessor to cover their costs for the event. We are also developing a schools' version of this scheme to allow schools who have the NaaceMark to introduce the SRF to other schools. We will contact assessors directly with regard to these arrangements.

## THIRD MILLENNIUM LEARNING AWARD – REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT EVENT

The 3MLA is an important part of Naace's offering to help schools show how they are progressing on the journey using educational technology. As with other awards it has been the practise for the Guides who carry out the assessments to meet together bi-annually to update the systems and each other about developments. Unfortunately this hasn't been possible for about four years so we need to have a look at the award, how to take it forward, how it is assessed, how to update the guides and a timescale for implementation etc.

In order to do this the Board of management has arranged a half day consultation event at Bolton ICT Centre, Smithills Dean Road, Bolton BL1 6JT, on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 1.30pm to 4pm. We are limited to 40 places at the venue. Current 3MLA Guides have been invited via personal email. We do have a small number of places for Naace members who have a particular interest or wish to become involved in the delivery of 3MLA, or just want to know more.

If you would like a place at this event please email: [phil.blackburn@naace.co.uk](mailto:phil.blackburn@naace.co.uk) asap, because it is first come first served etc. With apologies to anyone who doesn't make the cut! There will be a Guides update event in 2020 that all guides will need to attend to maintain their status. This future event will build on the discussions in October.

## NAACE PARTNER ANNOUNCEMENT - LEARNING BY QUESTIONS



Naace Partner and multi award-winning innovator Learning by Questions are celebrating #EdtechThatWorks in their first Autumn conference on the 1st October. The conference will feature top educationalists such as Sir Kevan Collins (of the EEF) and Baroness Estelle Morris, as well as a series of hands-on workshops.

They are inviting senior leadership to see the independent research for themselves and hear from those local authorities, headteachers and teachers whose schools have made substantial progress.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to see an award-winning resource in action and book your tickets now - [www.lbq.org/Conference](http://www.lbq.org/Conference)

The image is a promotional poster for a conference. The left side has a dark blue background with white and pink text. The right side shows a photograph of the exterior of the Lancashire County Cricket Club building, featuring the Emirates logo and 'Old Trafford' text.

 **Learning  
by Questions**

**TECHNOLOGY ENHANCED LEARNING  
& TEACHING CONFERENCE**

01.10.19  
LANCASHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB  
MANCHESTER, OLD TRAFFORD, M16 OPX

**#EdtechThatWorks**

Naace will be attending the conference and we will report on the event in the October newsletter.

## CHANGES ON THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

There have been a number of changes to the Board of Management since the summer newsletter. We are delighted to welcome Andrew Davis and Gary Talbot who have both been co-opted to the Board of Management and will then stand for election prior to the AGM.



Andrew is Headteacher of Belvidere Primary School in Shrewsbury and has been in working in primary education for the past 30 years. The majority of these have been in a leadership position. He has been the Headteacher of two contrasting primary schools – the first a small rural primary school and currently a large town primary school. In his first Headship, in a small rural Shropshire school he was awarded the ICT Mark; the first school in the county to achieve this.

Working in a rural area, he developed the innovative use of ICT to encourage active parental engagement in their child's learning and became a national lead school for Parental Engagement. He then went onto win BECTA's Excellence award for 'Best Primary School'. This resulted in being invited to join The Leading Leaders Network, which involved visiting many schools throughout the country, supporting and learning from them. His school was filmed by BBC, Microsoft and Becta for its innovative practices in using ICT to enhance teaching and was a case study for The Rose Review. Andrew has made numerous presentations both within his own local authority, other authorities and further afield including at NAACE conferences, Handheld Learning, Microsoft and also in other countries. Whilst at his present school, he has achieved the ICT Mark and 3rd Millennium Learning Award.



Gary is a passionate, innovative and effective senior leader and classroom practitioner with 10 years of experience in secondary schools. He is also an experienced examiner who has worked for 2 different exam boards over the last 5 years. His areas of expertise include processing and evaluation of data, curriculum development, developing and delivering professional development for others and the strategic development of new technologies. He has always embraced technology as a way of engaging young people and a way of making teaching more efficient so that teachers can focus on the job of empowering young people with the knowledge and skills needed to improve lives.

In his latest role as an assistant headteacher at Walkden High School he formulated and implemented a 1 to 1 Google Chromebook scheme for over 600 pupils in year 7 -9. This helped to accelerate the quality of teaching and learning across the school and significantly reduced staff workload. He also controlled the development and implementation of other new technologies across the school including Class Charts (Behaviour Management System), IRIS Connect (Video-based professional learning platform for staff), MyED (Parent Communication Tool) and GDPRiS (GDPR Reporting System).

We are sorry to have lost two board members. Steve Whitley who joined the board in the spring has stepped down but continues to offer his expertise to Naace when asked. We are grateful to him for his continued support of the association. Matt Rogers has also stepped down from the Board and is now working part-time for the association in an administrative capacity – managing the new website and the SRF Tool are two of his key tasks. Matt was a very active member of the board and contributed greatly to the work of re-shaping the association over the past two years. We are delighted that he is still actively involved in this work.

## BETT 2020

Naace will be back at BETT2020 with a stand, several events for members including the AGM and responsibility for three presentations in the CPD Theatre. On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 12.00 – 12.30 pm there will be a presentation by a Third Millennium Learning Award school. On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 3.00 – 3.30 pm Steve Moss will present on the importance of edtech development in schools and the Naace edtech vision. On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 11.00 - 11.30 am there will be a presentation by a recent NaaceMark award school.

We are also submitting the revised SRF for a BETT Award in the leadership and Management Tools category.

## TPEA EVENTS

Christina Preston – Naace BoM member – writes: TPEA hope that Naace members will join their edtech colleagues at these two events.

**Technology, Pedagogy and Education Association (TPEA) launch at BETT Friday 24th January North Gallery 1500 – 1700.** Naace members are warmly invited to launch of TPEA, a partnership between ITTE and MirandaNet Fellowship. Friday 24th January from 1500-1700 - hoping colleagues will join TPEA for an early supper afterwards. More details to come. Conference organiser John Sibbald [jksibbald@gmail.com](mailto:jksibbald@gmail.com)

**ICET 2020: July- dates to be confirmed. International Conference on Educational Technology. Bath Spa.** Technology, Pedagogy and Education Association (TPEA) will be partnering International Council on Education for Teaching (ICET) for their annual 2020 conference at Bath Spa University. Leading academic scientists, researchers, research scholars, edtech advisers and school leaders are invited to exchange and share their experiences and research results on all aspects of Educational Technology. TPEA will have a themed strand during the three day event. We hope this will offer a professional development opportunity. We can award Naace delegates a professional development certificate. Conference organiser [Jon.Audain@winchester.ac.uk](mailto:Jon.Audain@winchester.ac.uk) [https://www.icet4u.org/history\\_mission\\_goals.php](https://www.icet4u.org/history_mission_goals.php)

## NEW FREE RESOURCE FROM ISTE

The US-based International Society For Technology in Education (ISTE) has just produced a very helpful guide for teachers on talking to parents about the use of edtech to support learning. The guide includes tips on running edtech parents' evenings as well as a very useful questionnaire to help build your own school's presentation to parents.

You can download the PDF for free at <https://tinyurl.com/y66dov8d>