

Weekly Update to Schools - Essential Statutory and Other Useful Documents for Schools – 22nd March 2019

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Below are some of the documents uploaded to Somerset iPost this week that may be required by, or of interest to, schools.

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Title: [SIMS Circular 007 2019 Removal of data no longer required in SIMS \(to meet with current GDPR\)](#)

Audience: For all Schools and Academies

Summary: SIMS Guidance for the removal of data held in SIMS that is no longer required (to meet GDPR requirements)

This document can be found within the **Core** Section. Alternatively use Ctrl + F and search for "007 2019".

Contact: SIMS Support Helpline (01823) 355090 or email ICTHelpdesk@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Access: SSE Website (Restricted to ELIM Subscribers)

iPostID: IPOSTID-1583429547-1499

Title: [Public Engagement Spark Awards](#)

Audience: EFS Purchasers, EFS Academy Purchasers

Summary: A new funding round is open. This is to encourage and support high quality public engagement activities in the areas of science and technology. Please see the document for more details.

Deadline: 2 May 2019

Contact: 01823 356640 funding@somerset.gov.uk

Title: [The Role of the Early Years SENCO](#)

Audience: Public

Summary: An essential training course for both EY Practitioners new to the SENCO role and experienced EY SENCOs wishing to update their knowledge and skills. This two day course, taking place on the 1st and 22nd of May 2019 at Long Sutton in Langport, focuses on sharing quality, inclusive practice within the delivery of the EYFS framework and the SEND Code of Practice.

Contact: SSE.SEN@somerset.gov.uk or 01823 334475

Access: SSE Website (you will need to login first)

Title: [Working with Children and Young People who require Personal and Intimate Care](#)

Audience: Public

Summary: The Physical Impairment and Medical Support Team will be delivering a half day course on personal and intimate care.

Contact: SSE.SEN@somerset.gov.uk or 01823 334475

Access: SSE Website (you will need to login first)

Title: [Autism Education Trust: Early Years Good Autism Practice](#)

Audience: Public

Summary: A one day course to extend knowledge of Autism for early years professionals working with young people. This will cover mainstream and specialist settings.

Contact: SSE.SEN@somerset.gov.uk or 01823 334475

Access: SSE Website

Blue sheet and Teaching Vacancies

The Blue sheets and Teaching bulletin are distributed on a Friday each week. The deadlines for these bulletins are – Monday at 12 noon for the Blue sheets and Thursday at 11am for the Teaching bulletin. Adverts received after these times will not be included in that week's bulletin. This week's iPost ID numbers are IPOSTID- 1583429547-1504 (Blue Sheet Vacancy Bulletin) and IPOSTID- 1583429547-1505 (Teaching Vacancy Bulletin).

Our Somerset

[Our Somerset](#) is a key internal communications tool for all staff and members. This website contains the latest news and events for staff and members, a regularly updated collection of signposts to useful corporate information and a question and answer page.

Some key sites on SLP

Support Services for Education (SSE)

Support Services for Education (SSE) is a traded unit within Somerset County Council that offers a wide variety of support services to all education providers. Our website provides you with easy access to services, information, training and events that will support you in delivering the best possible education provision to the children and young people of Somerset.

Somerset eLIM

Courses – courses/training for Education MIS, Education Technology and SLP

Education MIS – current activities, latest developments, advice and guidance

Education Technology – ideas and support for creative ICT across the curriculum, e-safety advice, filtering, online learning, ICT advocates, blogs etc

SLP Support – Training, parental access, FAQ's, videos, SLP mobile etc

Infrastructure Advice – advice on ICT infrastructure planning and technical resources etc.