

Essex approach to FITS in secondary schools

Essex/Becta FITS Training Partnership

Essex LA and Becta have joined together in the **FITS Training Partnership** whereby Becta have trained a core group of Essex secondary school network managers who in turn deliver training in the FITS processes to around the county.

Implementing FITS Expert Workshops

Audience:

The workshops are aimed at secondary school network managers and those staff responsible for strategic leadership of ICT (SLT) within the school. It is vital for schools wishing to take part in the workshop that both these members of staff attend as evaluations of the implementation of FITS has proved that the schools with strong and committed senior leadership support to the implementation of FITS obtained the greatest benefit.

Purpose:

- To demonstrate what is involved in implementing FITS
- To help to understand how to decide where to start an implementation of FITS
- To create an action plan for implementing FITS.

Key points:

- Full day (9am – 4pm) duration, maximum 6 schools
- Full explanation of the FITS processes
- Practical - includes 5 practical exercises
- An assessment of the school's current ICT support processes, strengths, weaknesses and future plans
- Analysis of findings to assess priorities
- Attendees leave with an action plan for implementing FITS processes in their schools.
- Workshop led by experienced and knowledgeable secondary school network managers
- Support network and community for post-workshop support

Cost:

- These workshops are free to Essex secondary schools

Dates of future workshops:

- **Friday 16th May in Shenfield**
- **Friday 6th June in Chelmsford**

For details and booking forms contact kim.humphreys@essex.gov.uk

Secondary Network Managers Forum meetings

These informal meetings are held half termly after school hours at schools around the county for network managers to meet and exchange ideas and experience. All secondary network managers are welcome

Dates of future forum meetings:

Monday 28th April at The Fitzwimarc School Rayleigh SS6 9BZ

Tuesday 10th June at St John's School Epping CMCM165EN

Essex secondary school network managers Google group

This is an online forum and discussion group for Essex secondary school network managers. For an invitation email kim.humphreys@essex.gov.uk