

STOCKPORT NASUWT



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Dear Colleague

On behalf of Stockport NASUWT I would like to congratulate you on obtaining your first teaching post, and warmly welcome you to Stockport at the start of what I hope will be a successful and enjoyable career. I would like you to know that the NASUWT runs a programme of seminars for new teachers, starting this year with ***Preparing for your First Teaching Post***. This one-day seminar, held in the Summer is FREE to all NASUWT NQT members and aims to give new teachers the confidence to arrive for the first day of their teaching career feeling that they are well equipped for the challenges ahead. Topics covered will include:

- Behaviour management;
- New teachers' first salary and conditions of service;
- Your rights and responsibilities;
- Recent developments in education.

In Manchester this seminar is offered at the Midland Hotel on August 8th but there are other venues and dates in different parts of the country. If you would like more information, or would like to book a place, please go to the NASUWT website www.nasuwt.org.uk and search for 'new teacher seminars'.
<https://www.nasuwt.org.uk/being-involved/events/new-teacher-seminars.html>

Through the NASUWT Stockport Association there are a number of professional development and social opportunities on offer including the upcoming ***Welcome Social*** at PLY in the Northern Quarter, and the seminar ***Teachers' Pensions and Teacher Wellbeing*** which is offered in conjunction with the local authority. Details are available in your induction pack or online.

Why join the NASUWT?

There are many benefits to becoming a member of the NASUWT. Our union has over 300,000 members across the UK and focuses on representing the interests of teachers only. In addition to training opportunities, you will have the peace of mind knowing that if you encounter difficulties you can turn to a team of experienced professionals for advice and support. NQT membership is FREE for the first term and then half rate during your first two years of teaching. If you pay by direct debit, membership will be **free for the whole of 2018 and then half rate for 2019**. Join or update your student membership by completing the enclosed application form, do it online or ring the membership team on 0333014550. There will be a further opportunity for you join the NASUWT at the Stockport Local Authority's Induction Day for NQTs on August 31st. Members of our union will be on hand in the morning to sign you up and generally to answer any questions you may have.

You will find enclosed with this letter the NASUWT "Starting Out" pack, which I hope you will find helpful. However, if you need additional information, please feel free to get in touch by phone, email, social media or via the website. Look out over the next couple of months for our refreshed online services for Stockport members, particularly our newly developed Stockport NASUWT app. A warm welcome awaits from your Stockport NASUWT colleagues. I encourage you to join us.

Warm Regards
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