

HEADTEACHERS' NOTICEBOARD AND TASK LIST

Friday 25 September

1. **Primary HTs: Primary Arts programme is open for bookings.** It's a free programme for London's state primary and special schools. There are four strands to the offering: the [Go & See](#) programme offers trips to cultural experiences in venues across London. The [In-Schools Touring](#) programme brings high-quality arts experiences into schools. [Masterclasses](#) offer **one-day teacher CPD to help improve reading and literacy skills** across your schools. The [Come & Try](#) programme offers twilight sessions across the year in partnership with the Crafts Council for staff enrichment and wellbeing. This is the last year that the programme will be running and booking closes on Friday 2 October. They're prioritizing schools which haven't previously participated, so if that's you, it's worth exploring.

ACTION

- Sign up if suitable

2. **Secondary HTs: the charity Embrace Child Survivors of Crime** has available funding to provide free remote therapeutic support to children/young people who have been affected by crime. Support is delivered remotely by experienced, trauma-informed practitioners and is designed to help children and young people process their experiences, improve their emotional wellbeing and develop positive coping strategies. There is no cost to the child, family or referring organisation.

ACTION

- Investigate if appropriate

3. **Primary HTs: BBC Bitesize short story writing competition.** The competition encourages children aged 5-11 to write a story in 500 words or fewer, with winners having their stories read on the BBC! Spelling, punctuation and grammar are not marked, it's all about children writing a story that they would love to read. They've shared copy and photos to include in your newsletters.

ACTION

- Engage if suitable