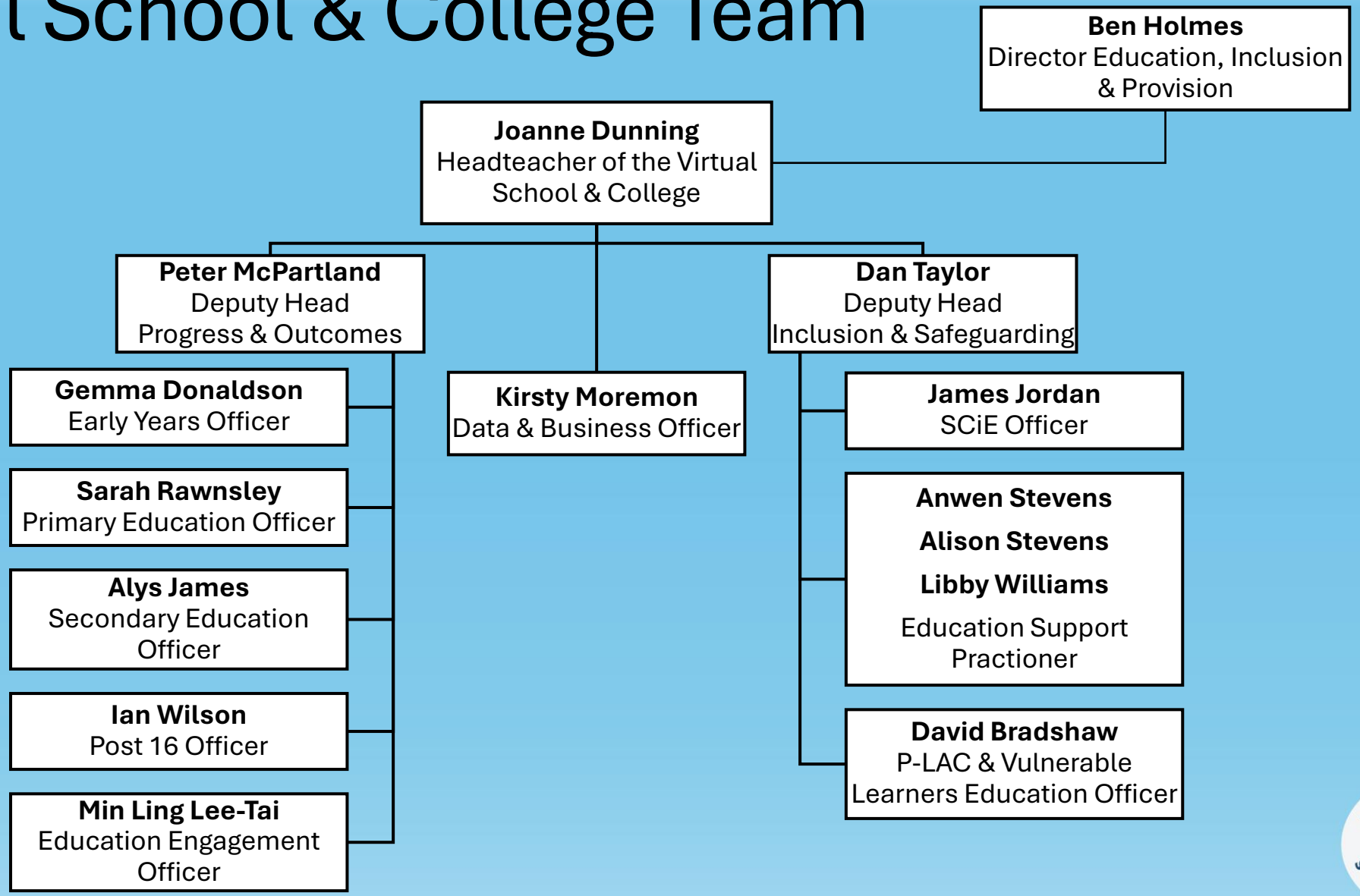
DT Network Meeting Autumn 2026

Wednesday 11th November 2026

Presented by: Alys James & Min Lee-Tai

Virtual School & College Team



Welfare Call

- Live session with Welfare Call to review the current document and processes – opportunity to give feedback, make suggestions and ask queries directly

EP Consultations

- Group consultation dates for 2026-27

Request Deadline	Consultation Date	Time
02-Nov-2026	10-Nov-2026	PM
11-Jan-2027	19-Jan-2027	AM
01-Feb-2027	09-Feb-2027	AM
01-Mar-2027	09-Mar-2027	PM
26-Apr-2027	04-May-2027	PM
21-Jun-2027	29-Jun-2027	PM

Thrive Approach in Halton

- Developmental, trauma-sensitive approach to meet the emotional needs of all children.
- Thrive assessment enables identification of social and emotional needs of children and suggests what to do in order to meet those needs.
- It can provide reparative interventions for children with unmet needs from earlier in their development.
- VS Thrive Assessor - Sarah Rawnsley is trained to be able to complete assessments for children in care between ages of 4-11

EHCP

- Which LA holds the plan and named caseworker (if possible)
- Record of next review date – welcome to hold PEP alongside this if it's within PEP deadline date for the term
- Upload the latest copy of EHCP/review document
- Keep us updated if there's plans to apply for assessment
- Invite social worker, carer/parent to the annual review

Post-16 & School Applications

Our Offer for Key Transitions

- Advice & guidance for school & college applications
- Discussions for extra transition support needs (in or outside of PEP meetings)
- Support in liaising with relevant services
- Training for parents/carers
- Direct engagement opportunities with our children
- Support with open days / evenings
- Resources

Contact & More Info

Get in touch if you have any queries or requests for support.

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We Glow & We Shine (CICCL Awards Evening)

Outstanding Achievement for:

- Education
- Resilience
- Personal Growth
- Sport and Physical Activity
- Arts and Creativity
- Kindness and Compassion
- Friendship and Positive Relationships
- Independence & Preparation for Adulthood
- Participation and Voice
- All-Round Excellence

- One nomination per child/young person



Deadline for nominations is Friday 20th November 2026

Thank You for your support!!

