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*Apley Wood Primary School, in partnership with Severn Teaching School Alliance, is delighted to be offering local delivery of **Higher Level Teaching Assistant status preparation and assessment**, with Best Practice Network and the HLTA National Assessment Partnership.*

Why HLTA? Supporting staff to gain HLTA Status has many benefits to schools and the HLTA. These include:

- Developing confidence, self-esteem and aspiration
- Valuing and enhancing knowledge, expertise and skills
- Empowering TAs to develop areas of expertise
- Developing effective teamwork between teachers, HLTAs and TAs
- Opportunities for career development and progression
- Raising levels of achievement and progress in individual, small group and whole class contexts

Entry requirements:

All applicants must have:

- Teaching assistant experience
- Some experience of leading whole class learning with no teacher present
- Level 2 or equivalent in Maths and English and must provide documentary evidence

When? Our next programme takes place on:

Day 1 – Thursday 11th October 2018 9am-3.30pm

Day 2 – Thursday 22nd November 2018 9am-3.30pm

Where? The venue for both days is:

Apley Wood Primary School
Pool Farm Avenue
Telford
TF1 6FQ

How much does it cost?

The cost of the two day preparation course is £290+VAT.
The cost of the school based assessment that takes place approximately 5-9 weeks after day 2 is £450. No VAT applies to the assessment fee.

How to apply:

HLTA candidates should apply through the Best Practice Network web application form available at www.bestpracticenetwork.co.uk/hlta.

When asked 'Are you applying as part of a network or teaching school group?' answer yes then in the next section, please select Apley Wood (STSA) from the drop down menu. The partner allocation code to use is AWPS-STSA.

Benefits for the HLTA:

- Develops confidence, self-esteem and aspiration
- Nationally recognised professional status
- Positive impact on school and pupil outcomes
- Supports progression towards qualified teacher status

Benefits for the School:

- Cost effective, home grown cover for PPA and other needs
- HLTAs enable teachers to teach and learners to learn
- Positive impact on pupil performance
- Reduction in teacher workload
- Recognised by Ofsted as a valuable school resource

How the programme is delivered:

- 2 face-to-face preparation sessions
- Online support unit
- Work- based activities
- Written tasks
- Completion of a portfolio to evidence 33 standards
- 3-hour assessed school visit