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Dear Colleague

Developing Innovative Practice Projects

Inspired? Want to try something different? Had a brilliant idea?

As part of the Advisory Service Kent's professional development programme for school based ASTs, a project fund is available to promote the development of innovative practice in teaching and learning. If you are an AST and feel you have an interesting idea, or you are involved in a piece of specific outreach work that could develop good and innovative practice within or beyond the classroom, you are eligible to apply for a grant of up to £2000 to support your project.

All project bids must show how any good practice developed can easily be shared with teachers from other schools.

In planning your project you may wish to consider:

- The resources needed
- The timescale for the project
- Clear outcomes identifying how pupils in Kent will benefit
- How the impact of the project will be evaluated
- How the project can be disseminated to other teachers / schools.

Examples of projects recently undertaken include:

- Science meets Drama: Physical & Chemical Reactions
- Sound bytes from A Level lessons
- Building Learning Power through Enquiry or Project Learning
- Developing a Young ICT Leaders Award
- How to raise boys achievement at GCSE in MFL

The grant should enable you to run your project successfully and can be directed in many different ways. Previous grants have covered things such as: ICT software, digital camera, additional supply costs, teaching & learning materials or training expenses.

To apply for project funding, please complete the project proposal form (attached) and return to Claire Powis at Advisory Service Kent by <>. You will be informed by the end of Term <> if your application for funding has been successful and funding will be received by schools in either Term <> or Term <>.

We are hoping to make a collection of project case studies available via the ASK website in order to further promote innovation and share good practice.

I would want to encourage you as ASTs to take advantage of this opportunity to access funding to work on an area of your interest and support the development of teaching and learning in Kent.

Yours sincerely

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Claire Powis
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