



Ein Rhanbarth ar Waith
Education through Regional Working

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Dear Colleague

Welsh Government and the Arts Council are jointly funding a five year programme to promote creative learning and pedagogy in schools. The programme would like applications from schools or groups of schools for £5,000 to £20,000 to promote this work in your schools. I met with representatives this morning and have the following update.

I have been assured that as ERW has 32% of schools in Wales that the resources will be allocated proportionately. This means that we need to apply and make sure we access this opportunity.

The Arts Council is eager to work with us on this programme and would like to:

1. Second a school practitioner for up to two years to work with us regionally to facilitate creativity across the curriculum in ERW. Please apply to Arts Council by letter by 1st July.
2. Welcome applications from **schools** or **groups of schools** to become 'creative agents' and facilitate / support other schools to engage with artists and creativity. This step would support the **principle of keeping resources in schools and enable schools** to work together to harness expertise.
3. The closing date for applications is 17th July. There is scope of funding between £5,000 - £20,000 per school or more if collaborating.

The communication to us has been variable on this project, and I understand that there will be frustrations on this timescale. There will be additional application rounds.

Thank you

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Lead Creative Schools Scheme

<http://www.artscouncilofwales.org.uk/what-we-do/creative-learning/the-lead-creative-schools-scheme>

Creative Agents Information

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Cynghrair o 6 awdurdod lleol yw ERW a reolir gan gyd-bwyllgor cyfansoddiadol cyfreithiol.
Y nod yw gweithredu strategaeth a chynllun busnes rhanbarthol cytunedig a chefnogi gwelliant ysgolion.

ERW is an alliance of 6 local authorities governed by a legally constituted joint committee.
Its aim is to implement the agreed regional strategy and business plan to support school improvement.

