



Schools Development Report 2022



Connor Smith resigned as Schools Development Officer early in 2022. This left us needing to find a way of keeping the Schools Development work going, both during this summer and in the longer term. After re-advertising the contract, we have now found a way forward. Mary Fleming has agreed to take on the bulk of the SDO work over the next twelve months, including leading the 'in-school' training activities. And Alison Raw will take on some of the SDO work once her Darlington Schools Sports partnership workload eases off next year, although this will not be until after March 2023.

Many thanks to Phill Batts, who has taken the lead through this transition period and has also stepped in to cover the Schools Development workload over the summer. This has mainly involved reactively responding to schools' requests for CLOK to provide mapping of their school grounds, 'in-school' courses for their pupils and/or resource packs for their teachers.

Several maps have been completed, courses have been delivered, and resource packs have been provided. To give you an idea of the scale of the work, here is a list of the schools that Phill has worked with:- Brompton-on-Swale Primary School, Synergy Schools Foundation, Sunderland College, Carmel College, St. Anthony's, St. Robert of Newminster, Wyvern, Greenfield, Trinity Catholic College, Captain Cook Primary School, Farringdon Community Academy, Monkwearmouth Academy, Barton Primary School, Ravensworth, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham.

We are not actively promoting our Schools Development services at the moment, but the workload keeps growing through teachers' word of mouth.

There is an extremely healthy cashflow coming through from the Schools Development work, and Phill now ensures we get paid up front avoiding us having to chase up some unpaid bills.

Phill will soon be training Mary Fleming and Boris Spence to lead future 'in-school' sessions.