

Bristol LA Advanced Skills Teachers

Outreach Work: Supporting Learning & Teaching

Advanced Skills Teachers' (ASTs) outreach role is to support schools in improving the quality of learning and teaching.

Outlined below are some examples of the types of support that ASTs can provide through outreach.

ASTs can support schools in the following ways:

- Coaching teachers by supporting them in planning lessons, observing the lesson and providing developmental feedback
- Providing workshops on classroom management, differentiation, developing pace and challenge in lessons
- Providing subject specific advice drawing on up-to-date research and developments
- Leading and supporting subject networks
- Supporting the operation of the numeracy and literacy hours
- Supporting newly qualified teachers across the LA
- Providing demonstration lessons and feedback
- Supporting teachers in planning to meet the needs of pupils with special educational needs



- Supporting teachers in meeting the needs of gifted and talented pupils
- Providing advice on developing behaviours for learning
- An up to date directory of ASTs, including names, school, phase and specialism is available on the Bristol Intranet.



How to Access ASTs

- Teacher / school identifies a need for AST support
- Headteacher requests support by completing and returning AST Request Form (AST/1) to Kate Rick, Adviser for Learning & Teaching
Tel: 0117 903 1397 / Fax: 0117 903 1260
Email: kate.rick@bristol.gov.uk
- LA matches request and identifies availability of AST, and if available, informs the school
- AST and school agree details of support.

