Thu 10/11/2022 10:29 Dear Colleagues,

Staff Pulse Survey

The survey closed with more responses than last time which is good, so thank you to those who responded and encouraged others to do so. The numbers are just being crunched and checked. The results will be in next week's catch up.

Field Studies Council in the media

It's been a good week for publicity having secured 2 pages of free editorial in Education Business. We focused on our ongoing main theme of what we can offer to help schools and parents who might be struggling to fund school trips.

Education Manager Scott Wycherley was the latest in a rapidly growing list of staff to deliver an excellent radio interview. On this occasion Scott was up for the Job Watch feature where Radio Shropshire allow local businesses talk about the job opportunities available. You can hear it here at 2:51

Radio interviews

It's useful for us to have a bank of people who are happy, or at least willing to step up to the mic and do radio interviews. One reason is that stations like a mix of voices, particularly if we are fairly regular contributors. Another reason is that they like to talk to the people directly involved in the subject or event being discussed. Talking to those at the coal face tends to make much better radio.

There will of course be times when members of the Senior Leadership Team are the most appropriate people to talk to the media and we are not suggesting putting anyone up for a grilling, but if you are interested, have a chat with Joy. It will not commit you to anything.

National Flood Action Week

Whilst some members of the government old and new talked about climate change at COP27 this week, the Environment Agency has urged all of us to be prepared for more extreme weather as we move into winter. We have already had the hottest summer on record, three named storms in a week, and since 1998, six of the ten wettest years on record.

There is a handy page of advice here and the three steps we are all being asked to take are to:

- check your flood risk online
- sign up for flood warnings
- know what to do if flooding hits

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