



# Working with Primary Schools and Early Years settings

Working in partnership with Edge Hill University goes beyond placements for our trainee teachers. We work closely with our schools and have a range of opportunities for pupils and staff to engage with.

## Learning Together Trust – Raising Aspirations Campus Visit

“ Learning Together Trust are a valued group of four partner schools who brought their children to campus in January 2023. The children enjoyed a tour of the University campus and facilities, a sports science session and an experience in the Faculty ‘pop up planetarium’. “Learning Together Trust values the partnership with Edge Hill, and alongside colleagues in our schools engaging with Initial Teacher Education (ITE), we really value the opportunities to bring our children onto campus and experience the fantastic facilities!”.

Stuart Colothan, Executive Head Teacher,  
St. Wilfrid’s Church of England Primary Academy

## Teddy Bear’s Hospital – Medical School

“ Our Year 2 children had the exciting opportunity to visit the Edge Hill University campus last year to attend the Teddy Bear’s Hospital. The children arrived at the Clinical Skills lab ready to admit their Teddy Bears onto the ward, the children engaged with several rotations throughout the day including CPR, the Operating Theatre and Recovery. The children really enjoyed their day and were very proud of their Teddy Bear’s Hospital certificates”.

Louise Byrne, Head Teacher,  
St Margaret Mary’s Catholic Infants School, Huyton



## Attainment and aspiration raising visits to campus

We welcome pupils from all key stages onto our beautiful campus throughout the academic year, to engage in a range of activities to support raising attainment and aspiration. These include a tour of the campus and the University’s award-winning facilities alongside:

- Debating sessions in our Courtroom
- Immersion in AI, VR and robotics in the Tech Hub
- Sports activities including opportunities to hold whole school or clusters of schools Sports Events
- Computing
- Mental Health and Wellbeing sessions
- Attending lectures with university academics and subject experts
- Experiences within the professional standard TV and radio studios

As a partner with Edge Hill University we offer an opportunity for you to visit campus, and where possible will make it bespoke to suit your needs.



### Athletics Competition – Sporting Edge

“As part of National Physical Fitness and Sports Month, our Year 5 children had the exciting opportunity to visit the Edge Hill University campus in May to participate in an athletics competition with three of our neighbouring schools. The children had a fantastic day in the sun with the Edge Hill staff and students, and they were very proud of their well-deserved medals and trophy!”

Lesley Moon, Senior Leader, Garswood Primary School, Wigan

## Research and opportunities for our partnership

- Support and guidance when designing and developing small school based research projects and joint funding bids.
- Engagement with pre-existing research projects within the Faculty of Education advertised through the Partnership Newsletter (circulated termly).
- Free attendance at the Faculty of Education Annual Conference for Research in Education (ACRE) and all other conferences offered to our students.
- Monthly drop in research workshops, on campus and/or in hub schools, with the opportunity to bring potential school research ideas for discussion/support.

For more information please contact the Education Partnership Team at:  
[FOEPartnerships@edgehill.ac.uk](mailto:FOEPartnerships@edgehill.ac.uk)

## FREE CPD

We offer some free CPD to our partner schools/settings. This is delivered primarily on Microsoft Teams (and some in person sessions) across a wide range of subjects and specialisms. Find out more about our offer here: [ehu.ac.uk/educpd](https://ehu.ac.uk/educpd)



## Bespoke CPD

The Faculty offers bespoke CPD specifically for your school/cluster/MAT tailored to meet specific training needs across all subjects and areas of need, for an agreed charge.

Please contact

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for a discussion and quotation.

## Access to conferences

Annually we hold several conferences at Edge Hill University with invitations extended to partner schools. During 2022 we held a Literacy and Phonics conference featuring Alex Quigley senior associate at the **Education Endowment Foundation**, educational consultant, author, former English teacher and regular columnist for **TES** and **Teach Secondary** magazine. Alex shared practical skills that the attendees could use to confidently boost pupils' reading skills and build their motivation for reading.

## New Partner

If you are not currently working with Edge Hill University but would like to discuss becoming a partner, please contact us using the form: [Working in Partnership with Edge Hill University](#)

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