

JS/12/35

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Dear Colleague

Teacher Induction Scheme

Following the 2011 Pay and Conditions Agreement the SNCT agreed that the class contact time of probationer teachers on the Teacher Induction Scheme was increased from a maximum of 15.75 hours to a maximum of 18.5 hours per week (equating to 0.82 FTE).

In June 2011 the SNCT issued advice (JS/11/25) appending advice from GTCS which suggested a flexible approach in implementation of the new working arrangements. The questionnaire issued by the SNCT on the Pay and Conditions Agreements confirmed that all Councils had adopted a flexible approach, balancing class contact time of probationer teachers over the course of the year.

GTCS has issued further advice to Directors of Education and this is appended. The SNCT asks local authorities to take this into account in the arrangements for probationer teachers who commence deployment in August 2012.

Yours sincerely

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