

Pay

The States of Jersey have applied an additional £400 non-consolidated lump sum in respect of the 2015/16 pay award. This follows the 1% consolidated increase applied from 1 January 2016 in respect of both years.

Whilst the NASUWT welcomes any additional monies, the uplifts do not account for the erosion of pay over the last decade and, as such, cannot be formally accepted, and the Union is reserving its position.

The NASUWT will continue to press the States for an uplift that does recognise the erosion of pay and the increased demands on teachers and lecturers.

Discussions over NQT pay are continuing and an update will be given as soon as definitive information becomes available.

School Assessment Framework

The Education Department has started to roll out a new School Assessment Framework (SAF) with pilot assessments in a number of schools. The SAF has been developed with input from the NASUWT through the Education Partnership.

Full details and guidance will be issued in the near future through a partnership note.

The NASUWT has some concerns that in some cases headteachers have instructed teachers to carry out large amounts of additional work in preparation for the assessments. The NASUWT and the Department are absolutely clear that there should be no additional work or other steps taken in preparation for a visit, as a key underpinning of the whole process is that the assessment is made of the normal school operation.

If your school has been through an assessment under the SAF, the NASUWT would like to receive any feedback you may have. Please e-mail nasuwt@mail.nasuwt.org.uk with any comments.

Mental Health Awareness

The NASUWT is offering a Mental Health Awareness twilight session on 29 March from 5-7pm at the Academy Restaurant at Highlands College.

This session will be run by a qualified mental health first aider and is free to all NASUWT members.

This will be a popular session and places are limited – members can book a place by e-mailing conferencesandevents@mail.nasuwt.org.uk.

Facebook Group

The Jersey NASUWT Facebook group continues to grow – members active on Facebook can join the group by searching for 'Jersey NASUWT' on the site. As a closed group, posts are only visible to other NASUWT members.

The group will be used for communication purposes, but also for general enquiries that members may have.

