



## Sign up!

If you are interested in becoming a Language Leader, or if you have any questions about the volunteer role, then please email [languageleaders@thecommunicationtrust.org.uk](mailto:languageleaders@thecommunicationtrust.org.uk).

We'd also value some information about you and how you see the role of Language Leader supporting what you do now.



[www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/languageleaders/](http://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/languageleaders/)



The Communication Trust's network for headteachers, deputy heads and other senior leaders

# Become a Language Leader for The Communication Trust

The Communication Trust is a coalition of over 50 voluntary and community organisations with expertise in speech, language and communication. We harness our collective expertise to support the workforce and commissioners to support all children and young people's speech, language and communication (SLC) skills, particularly those with a speech, language and communication need (SLCN).

The Communication Trust relies on senior leaders who are able to spread the word on the importance of speech, language and communication both within their schools and throughout their networks. If this sounds like something you'd be interested in, you should consider becoming part of our Language Leaders network.



## What is the 'Language Leaders' network?

Language Leaders is The Communication Trust's network for headteachers, deputy heads and other senior leaders who spread the word about speech language and communication within their own schools and across their networks.

In addition to receiving regular newsletters with relevant news and policy updates, Language Leaders also have access to a dedicated webpage, which is regularly updated with examples of good practice from other schools across the country and top tips for prioritising communication within a school environment.

It is our aim to shape the network organically, obtaining feedback from senior leaders to ensure that the content we are delivering is as tailored to their needs as possible. We also host an annual Language Leader event each year, allowing members to meet up in an effort to forge stronger links between schools and settings and to share best practice around speech, language and communication.



## Why should I be a Language Leader?

- **Regular newsletters** - By signing up to be a Language Leader, you will receive regular email updates from the Communication Trust informing you about our work and the latest developments in the sector
- **A dedicated online area** - Starting this year, Language Leaders will have access to a password protected area on The Communication Trust website, where they will be able to read the latest information from the Trust
- **Network with others** - Every year, The Communication Trust holds at least one annual meeting, giving members of the network the opportunity to network with other senior leaders and to hear about the Trust's new resources
- **Inform our work** - We regularly call upon the expertise of our Language Leaders when creating our new resources to ensure that we are supporting the schools workforce as best we can
- **Policy updates** - Our newsletters include up-to-date information on our policy consultation responses submitted by us as well as briefing papers and links to further information about the latest policy activity
- **Get involved** - We sometimes have opportunities for members to get actively involved in helping us to deliver some of our projects (e.g. cascade training, raising awareness across your networks etc). We understand if you don't have the time but would love for you to get involved as much as you are able or would like to
- **Promote your good work** - Language Leaders are provided with custom email signatures to highlight their membership of the network and are able to include the network on their CV

