

Bòrd na Gàidhlig is delighted to announce that Sian Baldwin has been recently appointed its new Development Officer (Teachers). Sian's focus is on offering support to Gaelic teachers, promoting Gaelic teaching as a career, and providing advice on pathways into Gaelic teaching. This includes:

#### **School visits**

Sian will be visiting schools across Scotland to promote careers in Gaelic Education and will be in contact with school staff over the course of the year to mutually arrange visits and can tailor sessions to suit the needs of each setting as appropriate.

#### **Careers fairs and DYW events**

If your local authority is holding an event that would benefit from support in promoting Gaelic Education courses and employment opportunities, please get in touch.

#### **Support for teachers**

Encouraging qualified teachers currently employed in English medium settings to move into working within the Gaelic Education Sector and can provide information on suitable language courses and funding schemes in order to do so.

#### **Training sessions for new Gaelic teachers**

To support newly qualified teachers during the 2023/24 session, Sian will be hosting four online training sessions. Previous years sessions have included inputs from Education Scotland, Stòrlann, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, Skills Development Scotland, and a range of Gaelic organisations. The first session will take place online from 4.15-5.15pm on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December with Education Scotland's Senior Education Officer Maeve MacKinnon.

#### **Advertising of vacancies**

Bòrd na Gàidhlig share Gaelic education vacancies each week on its social media channels, and vacancies and opportunities can also be advertised on the website and social media channels of Obraichean Gàidhlig at no cost to local authorities:

[Obraichean Foghlam / Gaelic Education jobs - Obraichean Gàidhlig > Obraichean Gàidhlig](#)

Please feel free to contact Sian for further information and support on any of the above initiatives.

### Who we are

The principal public body responsible for promoting Gaelic development, including providing advice to Scottish Ministers on Gaelic issues

Advice

Support

Funding

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Promotion

### Our Vision

Gaelic is

- seen and heard on a daily basis across Scotland
- widely recognised as an integral part of Scottish life and a national cultural and economic asset

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