Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender History (LGBT)

February 2013 will be the ninth Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender History (LGBT) month. Every February, schools across Britain take part in LGBT History Month, which celebrates the influential role that gay and transgender people have played in all aspects of public life. It is also an opportunity to explore issues around homophobia and homophobic bullying. In Norfolk we are keen to support this important event.

Rita Adair has been seconded to work for a day a week on the Stonewall Education Champions Programme which challenges homophobic bullying and homophobia in schools. Rita has put together a range of resources and ideas for LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) History Month and hope that your staff will engage in some of the suggested activities and find the list of information and resources useful. Please feel free to contact Rita for further support and advice - rita.adair@norfolk.gov.uk

Ofsted is concerned to address homophobic bullying and particularly homophobic language below is useful document from Ofsted which could also serve as a discussion point in a staff meeting i.e. how are you addressing these issues?

You will see that Norfolk NUT have organised some free training on the 26th February at Bignold Primary school at 5 pm. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

There are also a range of events organised by the Norfolk LGBT History Society - see www.lgbthm.org.uk/events

We would love to hear from schools who have a good practice in challenging homophobia or are simply interested in learning more. Do get in touch.

Exploring the schools actions to prevent homophobic bullying LGBT handout for secondary schools Feb 2013

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