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Dear Colleague,

Your Festival Bridge team wishes you a Happy New Year. We would like to draw your attention to Artsmark, which enables schools to self-evaluate and deliver high quality cultural education. The Artsmark process improves outcomes for learners and can demonstrate meeting spiritual, moral, social and cultural requirements during Ofsted inspections.

We hope that your school will be among the first to register for Artsmark this term. Enclosed is an information sheet which gives further details about Artsmark.

Festival Bridge is one of the 10 Bridge organisations across the country. We are co-funded by Arts Council England and the Department for Education to work with schools and other organisations across Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Peterborough and Suffolk to ensure all children and young people have the **best possible cultural education**.

Artsmark schools gain access to exceptional resources as well as networks of the country's most treasured cultural organisations, helping them develop and strengthen their arts provision.

Please register at www.artsmark.org.uk/registration. Once registered, you will be sent a link to book onto an Artsmark Development Day (10am-4pm). Dates for the sessions are:

Cambridge (Cambridge Professional Development Centre) – **Tuesday, February 2nd**

Norwich (The Garage) – **Tuesday, February 9th**

Bury St Edmunds (APEX) – **Monday, February 29th**

Great Yarmouth (Time and Tide Museum) – **Thursday, March 9th**

Kings Lynn (Kings Lynn Preservation Trust) – **Wednesday, March 16th**

Lowestoft (Kirkley Centre) – **Thursday, April 21st**

Peterborough (Peterborough Museum) – **Tuesday, April 26th**

Please let me know if I can do anything further to support your school at this stage.

Kind regards,



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