



## Personalised Travel Payments scheme update

The Personalised Travel Payments pilot, an exciting new initiative for families looking for an alternative home-to-school transport arrangement, is now called the Personalised Travel Scheme.

The pilot is making some scheme changes designed to protect families from potential income tax implications and/or liability for reductions in benefits.

- The Additional Support Allowance will now be held in reserve for families and claimable upon receipt of expenses claims.

- The mileage rate is increasing by 5p per mile to 50p per mile.

Check out the Local Offer page for full details on the scheme, including how to register.

Family Voice representatives have been working with Children's Services and the Personalised Travel Scheme (PTS) team to ensure that this new idea continues to adapt and improve to help families.

## Conference: Digital Families 2018

CEOP and Parent Zone, providers of the [free Parent Info service](#), are working together to deliver Digital Families 2018: The Future for Young People Online.

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Taking place in London on 10th October 2018, this conference will explore the challenges and opportunities of raising and educating children in a digital world. This national conference will support professionals working with children and young people, and their families, to future proof their approach to internet safety and set the resilience agenda for the year ahead.

## VSSS vacancy for a parent governor

Info for parents and carers:

There is **one** vacancy on our governing body for a parent governor and we are seeking nominations from parents interested in taking up this role.

Being a governor can be very enjoyable and worthwhile and this is an opportunity for you to be involved in the development of services in Norfolk. We have a great team of Governors who both support and challenge the Virtual School to ensure that we continually improve the outcomes for children and young people with a sensory loss.

If you would like to receive nomination papers and you have not already received them by post then please contact the office at VSSS who will be happy to send them to you. As we are a Virtual School **you do not need to get a proposer and seconder**. New governors will be the subject of a vetting procedure before confirmation of their appointment.

The completed nomination papers must be returned to Virtual School Sensory Support by Monday 1 October.

If the number of nominations received are equal to, or less than, the number of vacancies there will be no need to hold a ballot. If a ballot is necessary, it will be by "postal" ballot and further details will be sent out.

Thank you for your interest, and involvement in this important process. If you have any queries regarding this election, please contact Karen Taylor at the school.

If you would like us to send you information direct by email please forward your email address to [sensorysupport@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:sensorysupport@norfolk.gov.uk).