

**Suffolk
and
Norfolk
Graduate
Teacher
Programme**

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Dear Colleague

I am writing to give you the opportunity to express your interest in training Graduate Teachers at your school in September 2006. You may be aware that the Graduate Teacher Programme is currently involved in its next round of recruitment for the September 2006 cohort. As ever this employment based route into teaching is very popular and we have received over 250 applications for a total of 115 places.

The benefits of schools taking responsibility for training the teachers of tomorrow are manifold. Schools with GTP involvement report:

- High levels of staff motivation;
- An improvement in standards overall;
- Development of existing staff in school;
- New opportunities for the children and young people;
- Improved recruitment.

If you are interested in taking on trainees and feel that your staff would be willing and able to support a programme of training and mentoring for graduate trainees, then please indicate your interest on the accompanying form and return it to the Suffolk and Norfolk GTP office, at the above address. If you would like to find out more about the scheme before expressing your interest, please telephone the GTP Office on the above number for an informal chat.

We will be conducting interviews in March and discussions regarding placement of trainees in schools in April/May, at which time we will contact you again.

I look forward to hearing from you so that we may extend our partnership with schools in Norfolk and Suffolk.

Yours sincerely

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GTP Leader for Suffolk and Norfolk.



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Name of school:

Phase:

Contact (ITT/Professional Tutor or Headteacher):

Subject (or key stages if primary):	Number of trainees you are likely to be able to take:	Name of mentor (If known):
Indication of previous involvement (if any) in the Graduate Teacher Programme:		

Please return to Morag Harray, GTP Administrator, at the Norwich PDC by February 24th 2006, at the latest.