

The Tiptree & Stanway Consortium

As well as our excellent partnership with New Hall School, Messing Primary School belongs to the Tiptree and Stanway consortium, which is a group of 24 schools in the Colchester area. Once a term, the Heads of the schools meet and discuss relevant educational issues, receive training and provide a network of support. A list of the schools involved can be found on the consortium website: <https://tsconsortium.org.uk/essex/primary/tsc/site/pages/aboutus/news>

Messing is part of collaborative Group3, which is a smaller group of schools who work together closely. This involves all staff meeting together termly to moderate work or receive training. The Headteachers of the schools also conduct 'Peer Reviews' of each other's schools, which is an excellent means of schools sharing good practice as well as providing ideas for improving any areas of concern.

Group 3 consists of :

- Tiptree Heath Primary School
- Baynards Primary School
- St Luke's Church of England Primary School
- Milldene Primary School
- Tolleshunt D'Arcey St Nicholas CofE Primary Academy
- Messing Primary School

Consortium Aims:

1. To respond to future challenges, developments and opportunities together.
2. To accept joint responsibility for the education and welfare of the children in our schools by supporting each other in providing high academic standards, a place for children to learn & thrive and where Headteachers feel supported; minimising a school's risk of low achievement.
3. To provide an induction process for new Headteachers.
4. To benefit from combined expertise, knowledge, energy, enthusiasm and experience – both formally through the Consortium Peer Reviews and informally.
5. To provide joint training/functions as a Consortium or as a cluster within the Consortium as required.
6. To provide economies of scale when purchasing services etc.
7. To have forums for discussion about common issues.