



Media and Information Literacy (MIL) TeachKit Briefing Tuesday 4.11.25, 4-5.30pm with Helen Mulley (Education Lead at First News)

Empowering Pupils with Critical Media Skills: First News Media and Information Literacy TeachKit

In today's fast-paced digital world, helping pupils navigate the media landscape is more important than ever. That's why we're excited to share the <u>Media and Information Literacy</u> <u>TeachKit from First News</u> — a powerful new resource designed to support schools in teaching critical media and information literacy skills.

With research showing that only 2% of UK children can reliably spot misinformation, and just 5% of teachers feel confident teaching media literacy, this TeachKit couldn't be more timely. It includes both ready-to-use **and** dynamically produced lesson plans, engaging activities, and expert guidance to help pupils:

- Identify bias and misinformation
- Understand how media is created and shared
- Build digital resilience and critical thinking

The TeachKit aligns with curriculum goals and supports the development of informed, empathetic young citizens.

The national **Curriculum and Assessment Review**, highlights the urgent need for a renewed focus on media literacy and critical thinking in response to rapid social and technological change—including the rise of AI. The Review's interim report recognises media and information literacy (MIL) as essential for preparing young people for life and work in a connected world.

We are delighted that Helen Mulley, Education Lead at First News, will facilitate this *free briefing* for local schools.

Helen will share:

- the MIL progression framework developed in partnership with the <u>Media and Information Literacy Alliance</u> (for LKS2-KS3) *freely available to all schools*
- an overview of the curriculum planning and resources available in the MIL TeachKit
- details of fortnightly dynamic lessons available throughout the year with an annual subscription
- sample content and activities from a MIL lesson
- how to become an 'Early Adopter' and pioneer working with the TeachKit

We've agreed with First News that any interested local schools can put themselves forward to become an 'early adopter' and try out the MIL TeachKit in January-July 2026.

Book your place here.