

Functional skills UK

Countdown to Launch of New Maths and English Centre

Free nationally recognised Maths and English courses will soon to be offered in Portslade at the new Sussex Functional Skills Centre.

People living in the UK are typically 21st in the world for attainment of the maths skills and remarkably 17th in English!

Paul Smith managing director of Functional Skills UK said “ It’s recognised in almost every economic study that weakness in English and Maths holds people back from securing employment and progressing in their careers . It’s estimated that approx 20% of people in the UK struggle on with an extremely limited grasp of fundamental maths.

The new centre aims to offer regular short intensive courses to small groups of learners in a relaxed and supportive environment. All of the courses will be free to staff and volunteers who are referred by their employers or the organisations they volunteer for.

The training opportunities are also available freely to learners who are unemployed and in receipt of benefit.

Luke Hardy, Functional Skills UK CEO added - “We particularly want to hear from employers across the South East of England who may also want to improve the skill levels of their staff. They may be eligible for free training. There is funding available to compensate some employers for the time staffs are away from their place of work”.

If anyone would like to know more they should contact Luke Hardy or Matt Dadswell on 01273 434400 or go to www.functionalskillsuk.com

The new Sussex Functional Skills Centre will be officially opened on the 12th September by Rt Hon Mike Weatherly MP.

The establishment of the centre has been partly funded by the Greater Brighton City Region Business Growth Grants Scheme, through the Regional Growth Fund initiative.

For further information please email Luke@swimuk.co.uk or matt@swimuk.co.uk or call 01273 434400.

Sussex Functional Skills Centre is situated at: No 2, Gordon Mews, Gordon Close, Portslade, BN41 1HU.

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