

Leadership and Management in the Primary School

A Morning of Expertise and Positivity!

Wednesday 29th March, 2017, 9am – 12:30pm

Howardian Primary School, Hammond Way, Cardiff.

Target audience: Headteachers and Senior Leaders

- Are you frustrated by bureaucracy?
- Do you need some good ideas?
- Do you want the benefit of over 50 years of school leadership?

This morning conference is for you! Cost £50 per person - a bargain!

Programme

8:30am – Arrival, registration, tea and coffee

8:45am – Roath Park Steel Pan Orchestra

9:00am – Leading your school towards ‘Successful Futures’ (Gareth Coombes)

10:00am – Leading from the Front – (Colin Skinner)

10:30am – Coffee

10:45am – Distributed Leadership (Helen Turner)

11:15am – Pupil, Staff and YOUR wellbeing (Lindsey Watkins)

11:45am - Establishing a self-improving school system (Joe Cudd)

12:15pm Questions and depart.

Our Speakers

Gareth Coombes Educational Consultant



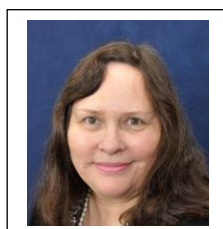
Gareth runs his own Educational Consultancy Businesses that provide support for schools in terms of both Inset and practical resources for improving teaching and leadership. He is co-director of Teaching Continua, an online resource to support teachers and schools in improving teaching for learning in a supportive, developmental and sustainable way. Gareth works across a variety of regional and international settings, more recently in the UAE and Myanmar. Gareth was a successful headteacher of a primary school for 7 years. His current passion and focus is to support schools in 'Working smarter not harder with AfL,' so that pupils work harder than teachers!

Colin Skinner



Colin Skinner is currently Headteacher of Roath Park Primary and Howardian Primary Schools. He has been a Headteacher for over 20 years in three very different schools. In 2015 he won the New Directions' Primary Headteacher of the Year award. A teacher for over 37 years, Colin has been instrumental in implementing all of the curriculum changes that the profession has faced into his schools since 1988. He has travelled the world looking for excellent practice in primary schools – visiting China four times, New York, Cincinnati and Houston in the USA, as well as schools from across Europe including Finland, Sweden, Spain and Poland. Many schools across Wales now operate the pupil tracking system that he calls 'The War Room'. Colin has been an ESTYN team inspector since 2004.

Ms Helen Turner



Helen has worked in education for the past 40 years. She has been a Headteacher since 2004, and during her career held a number of senior roles in a variety of school settings spanning multi-cultural, church and village. Helen is currently the Headteacher of Pencaerau Primary in Cardiff which opened in 2010 as a result of a three school amalgamation. Until recently in addition to her role as Headteacher, Helen was a Challenge

Adviser for Central South Consortium, and Senior Achievement Leader for Cardiff Council. Helen has also been an Estyn primary team inspector since 2000.

Mrs Lindsey Watkins



Lindsey Watkins is currently Headteacher of Millbrook Primary School in Newport. On her return from visiting schools in New York City, Lindsey took the decision to bring as many agencies as she could onto the school site so that the school has been able to respond to children's social needs and wellbeing. Lindsey has also introduced a Confucius classroom into the school following a visit to Beijing and this has enhanced the learning for all of her children. Lindsey also works with EAS as a Challenge Adviser and she also gives up her time to support NPQH candidates. Lindsey is also an ESTYN team inspector.

Mr Joe Cudd



Joe's first headship was Maes Y Morfa Primary School, Llanelli a £5 million transformation build in a very deprived community. His second headship is a £15 million new build in South Llanelli. Ysgol Pen Rhos is a 500 pupil school with a 60 pre-school flying start nursery attached. It is an amalgamation on two established Victorian schools in the town. Both schools are situated in severely deprived wards of Llanelli. Joe is at the centre of Wales's wide projects involving collaboration across Children Services and Flying Start an intensive pre- school health model. In both examples they collate data and track the impact on the children's learning that out of school interventions have had. Integrating key performance indicators from other agencies or services can bring about school improvement. Health and social outcomes clearly have an impact on improving educational outcomes. His work has been directly influenced by the experiences with the Children Aid Society, New York and the Family Research programme at Harvard. His work in Maes Y Morfa has recently been acknowledged in New York as exemplar practice. Joe has developed a national and international reputation as an IPLC expert.

To book a place on the 29th March please send an email to:

mwillicombe@cardiff.gov.uk – an invoice for £50 will be sent to your school after the conference.

Places are limited – the Headteachers from Cardiff who have already booked have been placed on the list!

