

Leaving Cert' English Workshop Papers 1 & 2

Date: Wed. 4th October
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Venue: County Donegal Education Centre
Facilitator: Frances Rocks
Advising Examiner, Author

1. Review of L.C. English Papers 1 and 2
 - Addressing the questions.
 - Planning the response.
 - Improving expression
2. Introducing the new poets; Kennelly and Lawrence.

Leaving Certificate Geographical Investigation

Date: Wednesday, 27th September
Venue: Gartan River: Meeting point at Glenswilly N.S. (5pm)
Time: 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Facilitator: Aengus Kennedy

This is a practical hands on field study session aimed at supporting Geography teachers when it comes to Leaving Cert and/or TY on site geographical investigations.

All equipment will be provided and teachers will get an opportunity to observe and practice practical elements of a river field study.

There will also be an opportunity to plan for the writing up of a GI.

Please bring wellies and appropriate weather gear!

Transition Year Revisited Back to basic with TY

Date: Tuesday, 14th November
Time: 1.30 – 3.30pm (with lunch from 1pm)
Venue: County Donegal Education Centre

This is an opportunity being offered specifically to school leaders and TY Coordinators to revisit, examine and apply the rationale, ethos and objectives underpinning a schools effective Transition Year programme to their own schools' programme.

The workshop will look at reviewing and evaluating a schools programme in respect of

- The founding principles of TY
- TY ethos based on Irish research & how this should impact on a schools TY policy & programme
- How ready for a TY Programme Evaluation are you?

Facilitator: Dr Gerry Jeffers: Gerry is one of the founding fathers of TY who lead the TY Support Service. He has been instrumental in the roll out and development of TY in schools over the last thirty years and has carried out extensive research on TY and its benefits for both students and schools.

An Introduction to the Role of the S.N.A.

Date: Mondays, 2nd 9th & 16th October
Venue: Mc Gettigans Hotel, Letterkenny
Time: 6.00pm – 8.30pm
Facilitator: Cathal O' Ferraigh

This is a three night introductory workshop series for both recently appointed and experienced Special Needs Assistants.

Areas covered:

- The evolving role of the S.N.A.
- The enabling role of the S.N.A.
- Understanding Special Educational Needs.
- School Structures and Policies /Practises.
- Building and maintaining positive relationships.
- Managing challenging behaviour

FASD in School: (Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder) *Trying Differently Rather Than Harder*

School Leaders: Guidance Counsellors & SEN / Mainstream Teachers

This workshop will provide an overview for schools leaders & key staff members of Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder (FASD). It will include some of the most common behavioural and cognitive difficulties associated with it and point to some simple/practical adaptations with it and point to some simple/practical adaptations teachers and schools can adopt to enhance classroom management and teaching and learning in general.

Participants will:

- Gain basic knowledge of the contributing factors and incidence rates for FASD in Ireland.
- Become familiar with common signs and symptoms of FASD in students and the typical difficulties for both student and professional when these are misunderstood.
- Practical ways to improve the fit between the unique needs of the student and what classroom teachers and the wider school community can do to support

Date: Thursday, Sept. 28th **Time:** 3.30-5.30pm
Venue: Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny.

Date: Wed., October 18th **Time:** 1.30– .30pm
Venue: Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny

Date: Tuesday, October 24th **Time:** 6.30–8.30pm
Venue: County Donegal Education Centre

Facilitator: David Gerry, Co-founder of The FASD Community Circle, Canada; David also co-founded the international Living with FASD on line Summit and is an acknowledged expert advisor to the Integrated Court in Victoria BC & pilot program in Vancouver, BC Canada on FASD, addictions and mental health concerns.

Ranganna Cómhrá Gaeilge

Date: Wednesday, 18th October **Time:** 4 - 6pm
Venue: Clanree Hotel, Letterkenny
Facilitator: Mary Durning

Maidir leis an Curaclam nua Teanga na Bunscoile, béidh ranganna cómhrá Gaeilge ar fáil do mhúinteoirí bunscoile.

Is iad na h-áidhmeanna leis na ranganna seo:

1. Sult agus suim a spréagadh sa teanga.
2. Muinín agus líofacht a chothú.
3. Frasaí/ tearmaí coitianta d'fhéadfaí úsáid traschuraclam i ngach ábhar.

Physiological Approach for teaching SEN students

Mainstream Teachers & SNAs
Why some students struggle in Class

Date: Monday, 6th & 13th November
Venue: County Donegal Education Centre

Date: Tuesday, 7th & 14th November
Venue: Silver Tassie Hotel, Letterkenny
Time: 6 – 9pm
Facilitator: Pauline Hunter

Looking at supporting mainstream teachers in working with SEN students in their classroom. Identification and remediation strategies to use with students to improve Literacy & Numeracy skills, and in doing so increasing students' confidence and self-esteem.

All CPD courses listed are grant aided by the Teacher Education Section (TES) of the DES On receipt of a booking form a place on the course will be reserved. Telephone bookings will not be accepted. Applicants will only be notified if a problem arises or a workshop is cancelled.
Places on courses are limited – early booking is advisable.
Online booking: www.donegaledcentre.ie **under Autumn Courses 2017 link.**
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