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BOCOSH: Looking Outwards, Learning Together Conference

Duncanrig Secondary School

Monday 13 May 2019

4pm - 6pm

This is an opportunity for school staff at all levels to hear about interesting practice nationally and to engage in discussions with colleagues about how to take forward their own practice.

Conference Program

4pm **Conference Opening – Mr John Swinney**
Deputy First Minister of Scotland and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills

4.15pm **Looking Outwards, Learning Together – what does this mean?**

4.30pm **Workshops & Collegiate Discussion**

Each delegate should choose from the menu of workshop options when booking. Please choose from 45-minute sessions or 20-minute taster sessions. Taster sessions will be followed up by the offer of a school visit.

5.35pm **Plenary**

Conference Booking

To book a place on this conference and select workshop choices please use the link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BOCOSH2019>



Booking closes Wednesday 8th May 2019

To book a place on the follow up visits please use the link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BOCOSHfollowup>



Booking closes Wednesday 22nd May 2019

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Workshop Choices & Visit Schedule

Please see full descriptions below

Sharing Practice Workshops	Follow Up Visit
Embedding DREAM Values (45 mins) Campbell Hornell Headteacher, Lasswade High School	No visit
Looking Outward - a shared approach to Self-Evaluation (45 mins) Frances Murray Rector, The Nicolson Institute	No visit
Empowering Pupil Voice Pauline Walker Headteacher, The Royal High School	Wednesday 22 nd May 2pm-4pm
An Interesting Approach to Integrated Support Ruth McFarlane Rector, Queen Anne High School	Tuesday 28 th May 4pm-6pm
Included and engaged Douglas Brown Headteacher, Bocclair Academy	Wednesday 29 th May 4pm-6pm
PEF – 2 years on... Jon Reid Headteacher, Larbert High School	Thursday 30 th May 4pm-6pm
Staff Leadership Academy Colin Bruce Alloa Academy	Tuesday 4 th June 4pm-6pm
Digital Interventions to Improve Literacy Skills Andy Smith Headteacher, Larkhall Academy	Wednesday 5 th June 4pm-5.30pm
The S6 Experience Karen Jarvis Headteacher, Linlithgow Academy	Thursday 6 th June 4pm-6pm
Lyndsay McRoberts Headteacher, Duncarig Secondary School The East Kilbride and Strathaven BGE Collaborative	Friday 7 th June 10am-12pm
Rural Opportunities at Wallace Hall Academy Barry Graham Operations Manager - North West Community Campus	Tuesday 11 th June 2pm-4pm
A Charitable Trust to support learning Gavin Clark Headteacher, Preston Lodge High School	Friday 14 th June 10am – 12pm
Developing the Young Workforce Gordon Bone Headteacher Prestwick Academy (currently seconded to SCEL)	Wednesday 19 th June 3.30pm-5.30pm



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Embedding DREAM Values (45 mins)

Campbell Hornell
Headteacher, Lasswade High School

Lasswade High School will outline our move over two sessions towards embedding our DREAM values into the learning, teaching and assessment work undertaken within the school. Our approach allows us to generate a significant level of values data to support our school improvement agenda. This will include our move towards each student report making explicit reference to our values and how we make use of this data to help evidence the impact of our work.

Looking Outward - A Shared Approach to Self-Evaluation (45 mins)

Frances Murray
Rector, The Nicolson Institute

The session will aim to share how The Nicolson Institute is working with two similar schools from other authorities but within the same RIC to develop a shared approach to Self-Evaluation. We will aim to demonstrate how the schools have worked together to identify shared areas of concern and are planning to extend the joint working beyond these specific areas. The session will relate this development to triangulation of evidence, collaborative approaches, empowerment and the evolution of the RIC.

Included and Engaged (15 mins)

Douglas Brown
Headteacher, Boclair Academy

Follow up visit date: Wednesday 29th May 4pm – 6pm

This session will outline Boclair Academy's inclusion journey over the last six years. During this period attainment has significantly improved, positive destinations have significantly improved, and exclusions have significantly reduced. We will share with colleagues the range of approaches we have taken to ensure all pupils feel included and engaged in the life and work of the school and will demonstrate the hard measures which highlight the success of these approaches. The story is by no means perfect and the journey nowhere near complete. However, we hope colleagues will be interested in our story so far.

A Charitable Trust to Support Learning (15 mins)

Gavin Clark
Headteacher, Preston Lodge High School

Follow Up Visit Date: Friday 14th June 10am – 12pm

This session will focus on our home-grown Charitable Trust, which was established to raise money to support learning development. English schools, on average, bring in more than £500 per student per year of outside funding, and it is our contention that Scottish schools can do much more than they currently do in this area. This session will focus on how our trust operates, the ways in which we've overcome the many challenges involved in setting up a trust, and the ways in which other schools might take forward the same agenda.



Developing the Young Workforce (15 mins)**Gordon Bone****Headteacher Prestwick Academy (currently seconded to SCEL)****Follow Up Visit: Wednesday, 19th June 2019 3.30pm – 5.30 pm**

This workshop will focus on the development of employability and literacy skills through the context of work-based learning and the achievement of relevant accreditation using a wider portfolio of qualifications in the senior phase. Presenters will also share with you their approach to partnership working and the models of delivery adopted to meet the needs of learners.

Rural Opportunities at Wallace Hall Academy (15 mins)**Barry Graham****Operations Manager - North West Community Campus****Follow Up Visit Date: Tuesday 11th June 2pm-4pm**

The session will look at Wallace Hall Academy's approach to taking learning outdoors. It will look at the outdoor classroom, vocational courses, work placements, career mentoring, transitions, social enterprise, employability skills, our professional restaurant and our agri employability course.

Digital Interventions to Improve Literacy Skills (15 mins)**Andy Smith****Headteacher, Larkhall Academy****Follow up visit: 5th June 4pm-5.30pm**

This session will outline a range of innovative approaches that have been used to improve literacy attainment and engagement in Larkhall Academy. These include targeted use of paired and reciprocal reading as well as building a digital curriculum for use with our literacy groups. Our evidence based, commercially available, interventions include IDL Cloud, Literacy Toolbox, 3 Minute Learning and Sumdog-Spelling. The session will also showcase how we track and monitor progress of interventions, and how we have used outdoor learning to help reluctant learners achieve literacy qualifications.

The S6 Experience (15 Mins)**Karen Jarvis****Headteacher, Linlithgow Academy****Follow up visit: 6th June 4-6pm**

The session will outline our plan to add structure, purpose and value to the S6 experience at Linlithgow Academy. Our aim is to maintain productivity throughout the academic year through a programme which combines the recognition and development of six core skills, an employability block and accreditation through a virtual learning platform.

Staff Leadership Academy**Colin Bruce****Alloa Academy****Follow up visit: Tuesday 4th June 4pm - 6pm**

The session will aim to share how Alloa Academy have developed a Staff Leadership Academy which is focused on closing the poverty related attainment gap.

We will share how the school has aimed to maximize the use of the Pupil Equity Fund to support this initiative.



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Supporting leaders professional learning and building their experience has been central to the work, the session will outline aspects of the Academy that have worked well and areas that will require further development on our journey towards excellence.

An Interesting Approach to Integrated Support

Ruth McFarlane

Rector, Queen Anne High School

Follow up visit: Tuesday 28th May 4pm-6pm

This session will outline a range of creative interventions Queen Anne High School have developed in an attempt to better meet the diverse needs of learners with ASN/SEBN. We will share the impact of our approach which includes: an in-situ counselling service for learners, families and staff; introduction of therapists; programme of supported inclusion; introduction of a Nurture Hub and development of a nurturing approach; targeted ASN/SEBN professional learning sessions and single teacher delivery of the curriculum for small groups of learners.

PEF – 2 years on...

Jon Reid

Headteacher, Larbert High School

Follow up visit: Thursday 30th May 4pm – 6pm

This session will focus on the PEF spend across Larbert HS/Cluster and the impact it has made (so far). We'll provide a generic overview of the interventions and initiatives which have benefitted over 600 young people and provide a specific focus on three main initiatives which, being new this year, are providing significant dividends: our Cluster EWOs, our new Targeted Support space and our Positive Parenting Programme.

Empowering Pupil Voice

Pauline Walker

Headteacher, The Royal High School

Follow up session: Wednesday 22nd May 2pm-4pm

This session will look at how we have empowered our young people to have a collegiate voice in the school. We will share what structures and opportunities we have used to make this happen, how we have used How Good is OUR School and how our young people are engaging nationally to make a difference.

Lyndsay McRoberts

Headteacher, Duncarig Secondary School

The East Kilbride and Strathaven BGE Collaborative

Follow up visit: Friday 7th June 10am – 12pm

This session will outline an interesting approach to assessment and moderation practice across four secondary schools in South Lanarkshire. Over the past year Principal Teachers have been working together to plan collaboratively across the BGE. They have been involved in training on assessment practice and have worked together to develop common success criteria within curricular areas. We are now working towards a subject event in May where all staff across the four schools will come together to moderate their evidence of achievement of a level.



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