

Royal Greenwich Teaching School Alliance



From Research to Practice

New insights into MFL learning and teaching in the primary and secondary phases

In conjunction with the Centre for Applied Research and Outreach in Language Education (CAROLE),
University of Greenwich and Goldsmiths, University of London.

A cross phase conference to celebrate the culmination of an exciting MFL project funded by the London Schools Excellence Fund and led by RG TSA, with the University of Greenwich and Goldsmiths, which:

- gave secondary teachers the opportunity to reflect on the findings of research in second language acquisition and the implications for the classroom
- strengthened primary teachers' confidence and expertise to teach Languages in the Key Stage 2 classroom
- provided a cross phase forum to focus on transition issues

Key Note speakers:

Dr Colin Christie: Lecturer in Languages in Education and subject leader for the PGCE Languages course, Institute of Education, University of London: "Speaking spontaneously in the MFL classroom"

Professor Alison Mackey: Vice Chair of Georgetown University: "Input, interaction and task based language teaching"

Professor Ernesto Macaro: Director of the Department of Education, Oxford University: "Language learners' strategies and assessment of Students' Progress"

Liz Black: PGCE Tutor at York University and freelance author and consultant: "Transition from Key Stage 2 /3 in relation to Languages"



Workshops:

Delegates will be able to choose from a wide range of workshops run by well-known experts and practitioners, including:

Using short films in the secondary classroom (Muriel Huet)

Research project into listening (RBG Subject leaders)

Rethinking grammar teaching (Professor Alessandro Benati)

London Loves Linguists - sharing ideas from the IOE British Academy Literature project (Caroline Conlon)

Role of the primary subject leader (Anne Farren)

Progression in primary languages (Catherine Cheater)

Let's have fun! - Proven tips for primary language teaching (Nadine Chadier)

Using stories in the primary language classroom (Kate Scappaticci and Vicky Grammatikopoulou)

Transition from Key Stage 2 to 3 (Clare Seccombe)

The conference will be held on the 3rd of July at the University of Greenwich: Maritime Site

There will only be a £30 administration cost as the conference is funded by LSEF.

Registrations will be from 8.15am onwards with a prompt 9 am start. The conference will end at 4pm.

Booking instructions: <http://servicestoschools.royalgreenwich.gov.uk>

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