



Sharing Languages: Making things accessible for EAL Learners

A collaborative cross-sector twilight event for teachers with a focus on language – English (for EAL), World Languages and MFL.

Date: 20th June 2018

Time: 4.00pm – 6.30pm

Location: Queen Katharine Academy, Peterborough

With pressures in schools constraining curriculum time for languages, and with high levels of net migration in certain cities, such as Peterborough, our educational community shares the aim of helping different learners acquire language in an effective and motivating way. Teachers, however, rarely have opportunities to discuss and share their strategies and thoughts! Many of our learners have complex, individual issues affecting their learning, but they all need motivation and rapid access to new language to allow them to progress with confidence.

This event, supported by ALL World Languages Special Interest Group, ALL Peterborough, ALL Bedford Primary Hub, Network for Languages and ALLNE intends to support practitioners working with EAL students, as well as learners of other languages, and to create dialogue between professionals with the aim of sharing information, strategies and principles that can inform our classroom practice.

Steven Fawkes: Sharing Languages

Steven will introduce the session and identify key principles underlying the agenda, drawing on his experience of working with learners with diverse needs. He will also introduce 'The Language Magician'.

Steven is Membership Officer for ALL (Association for Language Learning)

Kirsty Williams: Developing language

Kirsty will talk about approaches that work well for language development across MFL and EAL. She will also discuss the differences in these learner's situations and motivation and explore the effect that this has in their progress overall.

Kirsty is Lead Teacher for EAL and Primary MFL at Castle Newnham School, Bedford and runs the local ALL Primary Hub





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Jane Driver: *EAL Provision and Research*

Jane will present a model for accelerating progress of early acquisition EAL learners, which has been implemented at Queen Katherine Academy (QKA). She will also outline how this model is informing research in particular EAL areas, such as Roma education.

Jane is Assistant Principal at QKA responsible for EAL and Literacy; she is also the Coordinator for ALL Peterborough Hub.

Hayley Gilson: *Accelerated Learning*

Hayley will present an overview of pedagogy and resources being used at Queen Katherine Academy (QKA) to support early acquisition EAL learners. She will also provide a range of exemplar resources that can be adapted for different levels and topics.

Hayley is a DELTA-qualified ESOL teacher working with EAL students at QKA.

Katie Howard: *EAL and Special Educational Needs*

Special Educational Needs with EAL students are often masked due to their lack of linguistic fluency. In this session, Katie will present some of the findings from her extensive research into EAL students with SEN.

Katie is currently completing her PhD with Cambridge University, where she is focussing on EAL students with Special Educational Needs.

Plenary - Sharing Languages:

An opportunity for all attending to make suggestions and suggest ways forward.

To register to attend please complete the online form here:

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This is a free event supported by ALL.

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