

Early Excellence Courses

Thursday 5th March 2020, Ashmount School, Loughborough

Early Excellence are delighted to be collaborating with Loughborough Learning Alliance to offer a range of high quality professional development opportunities for staff in both the EYFS and KS1 in Leicestershire.

9:30 – 12:00pm - Developing Skilful Leadership of KS1

This session is an introduction to the key skills of leadership, focussing on the most effective approaches to leading and sustaining continuous improvement in KS1. This course has been designed to provide current KS1 leaders with an opportunity to explore the complexities of their role and develop leadership skills, enabling excellence for all learners.

Delegates will start to consider how to develop a shared understanding of quality practice and effective strategies to improve teaching across the whole of the KS1 team. Themes will include establishing a vision, development of a successful learning environment, securing an effective teaching across the team and demonstrating progress.

Member Rate £50 / Non Member Rate £75

1:00 – 3:30pm – How to Challenge and Extend Thinking in Y1

In today's rapidly changing world, children need to be able to do much more than repeat a list of facts. Supporting children in developing thinking, rather than just learning facts and skills ensures that children are taught the skills that they will need in later life.

They need to be critical thinkers who can make sense of information, make inferences, analyse, contrast and compare. Providing opportunities for children to question, share ideas, predict and hypothesise is critical for cognitive development and allows children to learn how to learn.

This session will explore ways that teachers in Y1 can stretch children's thinking, offering them challenges that fire their imagination and help to develop their problem-solving skills.

Member Rate £50 / Non Member Rate £75

4:00 – 5:30pm – Investigating the Wonder of STEM (EYFS and KS1)

Join us for an inspiring and practical twilight session suitable for both EYFS and KS1 teams as we explore the world of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

As part of the training we will reflect on the important role of STEM in the early years and KS1, and consider how children's curiosity, creativity and critical thinking can be developed through investigative experiences.

This is a practical session based on effective and inspiring EYFS and KS1 practice. Practitioners will leave this session buzzing with ideas to develop and experiment with in their own setting.

Member Rate £40 / Non Member Rate £55

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