PRIMARY LANGUAGES NORFOLK REGIONAL SUPPORT GROUP (RSG) Sept 2007-July 2008



- The Norfolk RSG is part of a national network, funded by Cilt, the National Centre for Languages.
- Meetings are free of charge and are open to all primary and secondary colleagues and students.
- We offer practical and innovative ideas for Primary Languages in the classroom, the chance to view resources, advice on curriculum planning and networking opportunities.
- All sessions are from 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm with a chance to meet colleagues and view resources from 4.00 pm.
- Details are also available to view on: <u>www.nacell.org.uk/regional/east/norfolk.htm</u>
- If you live near the Suffolk, Lincolnshire or Cambridgeshire borders you would be very welcome to attend their RSG meetings as advertised on the Nacell website.

Tempting TWILIGHT titles for 2007!

We have three **active** new titles to tempt you to come to a twilight PL meeting in 2007/8!

- 1. IWB ideas for Primary Languages
- 2. Using Digiblu video cameras for PL assessment and enjoyment!
- 3. Games 'in the round'

Sessions 1 and 2 both have a strong ICT link and will be led by national speakers. They will take place twice at the Norwich and Kings Lynn Professional Development Centres

The third session will be presented in all five areas of Norfolk, giving multilingual ideas for parachute and circle time games! Come and join in!

Dates and more details overleaf...

STOP PRESS! Conference Time

Cambridge Comenius Conference 28 November 2007 Theme: The International Dimension

Details: www.cilt.org.uk/comenius/east/events_training.htm Head Teachers, Subject Leaders and classroom teachers will find many ideas to implement weekly, annual and future intercultural planning.

Up, Up and Away with Primary Languages! October 2008

Norfolk is planning an exciting Primary Languages conference for October 2008. Sessions will focus on using PL in an inspiring and interactive way throughout the curriculum. Sessions may include:

Traditional songs and dances; Using mime and drama; Playground games in many languages; Having a go at Japanese!; Going on a (French) Bear Hunt!

There will be a publishers' fair and displays of great practice from Norfolk schools.

Venue: John Innes Centre near UEA. Date: Friday 24 October 2008

Small schools: why not consider using this as an inset day to enthuse the whole school? **Larger schools**: consider sending at least two MOS... with so many inspiring sessions they can attend a greater variety and will be able to return to lead a staff meeting, sharing new ideas and good practice !

Send expressions of initial interest in the 2008 conference to <u>lisa.poploski@norfolk.gov.uk</u> and we will prioritise sending you further details.



2007/2008 RSG sessions

All details can be checked on: http://www.nacell.org.uk/regional/east/norfolk.htm

Interactive Whiteboard ideas for Primary Languages (KS2) 20.11.07 at WNPDC (Course ref EPQC2/A) 21.11.07 at NPDC (Course ref EPQC2/B) 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm with tea from 4.00 pm

Presenters: Wendy Adjani, Joan Dickie

Wendy is a national speaker for Cilt, a consultant for BBC education and the QCA, and specialises in training teachers of primary languages. She is also a resource writer for interactive whiteboards and their use in PL.

This session will be full of ideas for using the IWB in your KS2 PL lessons. Examples will be given in French, Spanish and German for Smart and Promethean boards. With dates just before December, there will be a festive theme to some activities!

NB: This is **not** a 'getting to know how to use an IWB' session but don't worry if you are not a skilled user. Having seen these ideas you'll want to go on the next available IWB course!

2: Using Digiblu cameras to celebrate and assess language skills (KS1/KS2) Part 1 - 24.1.08 / Part 2 - 21.2.08 at WNPDC (Course ref EPQC3/A) Part 1 - 9.4.08 / Part 2 - 21.5.08 at NPDC (Course ref EPQC3/B) 4.30 pm - 6.00 pm with tea from 4.00 pm

Presenters: Michaela Howard, Joan Dickie

This is an exciting and innovative <u>two part session</u> created by Michaela Howard.

Michaela is a national speaker on using IT in PL lessons, the RSG coordinator for North Lincolnshire and a Comenius PL consultant coordinator for the East Midlands.

Norfolk RSG will have 5 Digiblu cameras that will be available for loan to schools (singly or shared) between Part 1 and Part 2 dates, in order to try out some of the ideas given in Part 1.

Part 1: A 'hands –on' opportunity to see how Digiblu cameras could be used by your pupils to:

- combine IT and PL skills
- record progress by filming small group role plays/puppet shows etc.
- become part of PL assessment

Part 2: Schools who have borrowed the cameras will be asked to return to show and discuss their progress. If you would like to borrow a camera **and can guarantee to return for Part 2** you may express interest directly to joan.dickie@norfolk.gov.uk. Otherwise this will be arranged during the first session.

3: All around Norfolk with games 'in the round' (KS1/KS2) CENTRAL: 20.2.08 at NPDC (Course ref EPQC4/A) WEST: WNPDC: spring/summer '08 tba EAST: summer/summer '08 tba SOUTH: spring/summer '08 tba NORTH: spring/summer '08 tba 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm with tea from 4.00 pm

Presenters: Debbie Abbs, Joan Dickie

Debbie is the Comenius PL consultant coordinator for the East, leading training sessions in many counties. She also still teaches in Norfolk primaries!

Debbie and Joan will demonstrate 'games in the round' with examples in French, German and Spanish.

- Many games could be used with a parachute, outside or in the hall.
- Many games could also be used as 'warm-up' activities in 'circle time' sessions.

A print out of all games will be available with appropriate vocabulary for all three languages.

NB: This 90 minute session could also be booked as part of a school or cluster based inset package on 'embedding PL in the curriculum'. Subject Leaders attending might think of repeating the session with their own school or cluster.

NB: No particular language skills are necessary for attendance at any sessions. **Come and join in!**

To apply for a place on any of these courses please visit the Opportunities for Professional Learning and Development 2007/2008 website at http://advisoryservice.norfolk.gov.uk

If you require any further information please contact Lisa Poploski or Lil Lathrope on 01603 433276 or by email:

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