

Thursday 13th November - Workshops - NIPT, NBSS, QQI & PDST



Billy Redmond, National Induction Programme for Teachers

Billy Redmond qualified as a Home Economics and Religion teacher in Sion Hill, Dublin in 1994 and worked in St Laurence College, Loughlinstown. Shortly after he qualified as a Guidance Counsellor in University College Dublin and lectured part time with UCD education department.

In 2006 he was seconded as a Regional Development Officer with the National Behaviour Support Service. He is currently working as the National Co-ordinator For Teacher Induction Post-Primary.



Mary Keane, National Behaviour Support Service

Mary Keane is the National Co-ordinator of the National Behaviour Support Service (NBSS) and is seconded from St Dominic's College, Cabra where she is Principal. Previous to her current school, Mary has worked in ETB and Community and Comprehensive schools. She has served as a council member on the National Council for Special Education and has been an associate member on the Leadership Development for Schools Support Service. She has also served on many local area communities for national programmes including the Demonstration Programme for Educational Disadvantage and the 8-15 Early School Leavers' Initiative. She was a founder member of ACE (Accessing College Education) for schools in the West Tallaght area.



Marie Gould, QQI Operations Manager

Marie Gould is a Provider Relations Manager in QQI. The Provider Relations Section has been established to liaise with the QQI business sections and with providers in their transition to QQI. Provider relations consult and communicate with providers on policy developments; contribute to provider quality and qualifications enhancement activities; and maintain the sub-board governance structures for provider services. She has specific responsibility for coordinating the interface and engagement between QQI and public FET providers including the ETBs and recognised Schools.



Anthony Kilcoyne, Professional Development Service for Teachers

Anthony Kilcoyne, Team Leader for School Leadership with the Professional Development Service for Teachers will outline the supports currently available to school leaders and aspiring school leaders. He will build on the theme that one of the keys to school improvement is the professional development of staff and that the school self-evaluation process is a vehicle to lead learning in our schools.



Rachel Farrell, Deputy Director of Professional Development Service for Teachers

Rachel Farrell, Deputy Director for Organisational affairs with the Professional Development Service for Teachers (PDST) will provide a comprehensive overview of PDST supports for leading learning. A programme of PDST's face-to-face and on-line CPD events for the school year will be provided to facilitate planning of strategic professional development in a way that will avoid duplication and promote integration.



Principals and Deputy Principals Association
Cumann Príomhoidí agus Príomhoidí Tánaisteacha

Conference 2014

Wednesday 12th November - Friday 14th November

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4.00 - 7.00 pm Registration of Delegates

9.00 pm **Michael O'Sullivan - Humourfit**

Humourfit was established in 1989 as a Theatre in Schools Project to present an important issue such as bullying in a dramatic light to enhance the life education skills of students.

The theatre company has travelled the length and breadth of the country performing to audiences from 1st year's right through to 6th years.

It has received huge plaudits from Departmental Inspection teams, Principals, teachers and students with many memorable dramas throughout the twenty three years

10.00pm Social Evening of Music and Song

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- 9.00 am Registration and Exhibitors
- 9.30 am Conference Motions and Secretary's Report
- 10.30 - 11.15 am Health Break and Exhibitors
- 11.15 - 12.30 pm Official Opening and Pat O'Mahony

Pat O'Mahony, ETBI Education Research Officer



Originally from a farming background in Co Cork, as a young teacher, armed with a degree in Agricultural Science, Pat moved to Australia, where he taught in an inner city setting for eight years before taking over as Adult Education Director with the main adult education provider in NSW. In the course of the following seven years he grew the enrolments from 1,500 in 1982 to in excess of 22,000 in 1989.

On returning to Ireland, he became inaugural Principal of St Joseph's Community College Kilkee in January 1989 and, in 1992, he was appointed Principal of Newbridge College in Co Kildare – a post he held until 2006. He has been Education Research Officer with IVEA/ETBI since February 2007

- 12.30 - 1.00 pm Exhibitors
- 1.00 - 1.45 pm Lunch
- 1.45 - 2.30 pm PDA President's Address - Brian Ó Maoilchiaráin, Príomhoide
- 2.30 - 3.15 pm Q&A with TUI President and General Secretary
- 3.15 - 3.40 pm Election of Officers and the Treasurer's Report
- 3.40 - 4.00 pm Health Break and Exhibitors
- 4.00 - 4.35 pm Workshops - NIPT, NBSS, QQI & PDST - see over for details
- 4.50 - 5.25 pm Workshops - NIPT, NBSS, QQI & PDST - see over for details
- 5.30 - 6.00 pm Induction and briefing session for newly appointed Principals & Deputy Principals
- 8.00 pm Conference Dinner

Friday 14th November

- 10.00 - 10.30 am Exhibitors/Conference Motions
- 10.30 - 11.30 am David Ruddy

David Ruddy, Legal Advisor, PDST



David Ruddy is Principal of Talbot Senior School in Clondalkin, Co Dublin. A native of Foxford, Co Mayo, he qualified as a barrister in 1992. He is legal advisor to IPPN and has written 80 articles on topical legal issues concerning schools for the Association's journal "Leadership +". David is legal editor of the "Education Management Manual" published by Thomson Reuters. He lectures on the legal modules on the masters in Educational leadership programmes in Marino Institute of Education, and Trinity College. He also lectures on programmes for professional bodies such as the Law Society and the PDST.

- 11.30 am Health Break and Exhibitors
- 12.00 pm Dr Padraig Kirk

Dr Padraig Kirk, Director, CPD for Junior Cycle



Having obtained his Bachelor and Masters Degrees in Education and Engineering from the University of Limerick, he taught engineering and technical drawing in O'Fiaich College for seven years between 1993 and 2000. He worked in the Department of Education in the Inspectorate from 2002 to 2009 and in 2009 he became CEO for Louth ETB.

- 1.00 - 1.45 pm Lunch
- 1.45 pm Conference Educational Papers and PDA Organisation Review
- 3.00 pm Close of Conference