

Visual Arts - Spring & St. Patrick's Day

A night of opportunities for you to develop ideas and formulate activities for your Spring art class. Join our tutor to spark your imagination into life, kickstart your creative self, develop your skills and improve your confidence in the visual arts.

The latter part of the night will cover the basics of ideas for St. Patrick's Day and how the visual arts can be used to enhance your teaching and learning.

Code: LC12-01SP
Date: Thursday, 9th February
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00p.m. to 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Gemma Meehan

The Write Approach

A two-night workshop exploring the development of writing skills in the classroom. This workshop will focus on the development of a process approach to writing, allowing children to develop their writing using a phased approach.

The workshop will also examine the writing genres giving teachers time to familiarise themselves with both the features and framework of each genre.

Code: LC12 - 02SP
Date: Thursday, 23rd Feb. & 1st March
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Caoimhe O' Dowd

Visual Arts - Literacy & Numeracy

In line with recent strategies to improve literacy and numeracy in the primary school, integrating reading and number skills into the various curriculum subjects is a key consideration.

This course investigates methodologies which allows teachers to integrate literacy and numeracy with the visual arts curriculum.

Code: LC12 - 03SP
Date: Thursday, 23rd February
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00pm - 9.30pm
Tutor: Gemma Meehan

Introduction to Aistear

This workshop (for Principals and Infant Teachers) aims to provide support to primary schools in becoming familiar with Aistear: The Early Childhood Curriculum Framework, which caters for all children from birth to six years. It will illustrate what Aistear can offer primary school teachers working with young children by exploring the new curriculum framework, its contents and how to implement it into the infant classroom.

Code: LC12 - 04SP
Date: Tuesday, 7th February
Venue: Gainstown NS, Mullingar
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Christina Devane

Visual Arts

Easter, Confirmation & First Holy Communion

A one-night workshop to examine how the visual arts can be used to enhance the celebrations of Easter, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Join us on this night to help develop your ideas, enhance your skills, build your confidence and maximise the teaching and learning that occurs during your visual arts sessions.

Code: LC12 - 05SP
Date: Thursday, 1st March
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00pm - 9.30pm
Tutor: Gemma Meehan

Our own sense of self !

As teachers we invest hugely in developing children's self esteem. This workshop provides an opportunity for teachers to reflect on their own sense of self with reflective exercises and practical ideas for taking care of ourselves.

In essence, the workshop will look at the building blocks of self esteem, and applying these to your own life, and looking after yourself!

Code: LC12 - 06SP
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Date: Tuesday, 6th March
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Mags Nohilly

Measures: Time & Money (All classes)

Suitable for all classes this session will:

- Specifically examine the development of these concepts throughout the primary school.
- Explore the variety of approaches and activities that can be used to support the development of these concepts, mostly based on simple, readily available resources.

Code: LC12 - 07SP
Date: Wednesday, 8th February
Venue: Gainstown NS, Mullingar
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Claire Corroon

Number: Place, Value & Operations

This one-night workshop for 1st to 6th Class will:

- Specifically examine the development of place value understanding and how it relates to addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Explore the variety of approaches and activities that can be used to support the development of these concepts, mostly based on simple, readily available resources

Code: LC12 - 08SP
Dates: Wednesday, 22nd February
Venue: Gainstown NS, Mullingar
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Claire Corroon

Number: Fractions, Decimals & Percentages

A one-night workshop to explore fractions, decimals and percentages for 1st to 6th classes. In this session we will:

- Specifically examine the development of these concepts from first to sixth class
- Explore the variety of approaches and activities that can be used to support the development of these concepts, mostly based on simple, readily available resources

Code: LC12 - 09SP
Date: Wednesday, 29th February
Venue: Gainstown NS, Mullingar
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Claire Corroon

Aistear - Play Workshops

A series of three workshops dealing with the area of play in the infant classroom.

First Play Workshop: The first workshop will look at play as a methodology in the infant classroom, and give practical ideas and strategies for supporting children's learning through play.

Second Play Workshop: This workshop looks at how Aistear, the new early childhood curriculum framework can help in organising and planning for play in the infant classroom. The workshop will provide lots of practical suggestions for dealing with the issues of time, space and resources to maximise play opportunities in your classroom.

Third Play Workshop: This workshop looks at how play, when used as a methodology in the infant classroom can support young children's language and literacy development. The workshop will offer teachers some practical ideas for using socio-dramatic play and games to enhance language and literacy work in their classrooms supported by Aistear, the new early childhood curriculum framework. Teachers will also have the opportunity to share good practices with each other.

Code: LC12 - 10SP
Date: Tuesday, 21st & 28th February
Tuesday, 6th March
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Christina Devane

Problem Solving (All classes)

In this session we will: • Explore problem solving as a fundamental methodology in the Maths Curriculum (1999) and consider how it relates to the content and skills • Examine the elements of problem solving which can pose difficulties, and explore practical approaches you can use to support the development of problem solving strategies • Highlight the importance of language and estimation while also discussing the role of calculators

Code: LC12 - 11SP
Date: Wednesday, 7th March
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Claire Corroon

Oral & Mental Maths (All classes)

In this session we will: • Highlight the importance of oral and mental maths as a key methodology in the Mathematics Curriculum (1999) and consider how it relates to the content and skills • Explore the variety of approaches and activities that can be used to support oral and mental maths, most based on simple, readily available resources • Examine the Thinking Strategies approach as a way to teach the basic number facts (tables).

Code: LC12 - 12SP
Date: Wednesday, 14th March
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Claire Corroon

Maths Games (All classes)

In this one-night workshop we will discuss the rationale for Maths games and explore how they relate to the content, skills and methodologies of the Mathematics Curriculum (1999). We will also explore and use a variety of maths games, most based on simple, readily available resources, discuss the benefits of a game-based paired maths project in schools and outline how such a project could be initiated in your classroom.

Code: LC12 - 13SP
Dates: Wednesday, 21st March
Venue: Athlone Education Centre
Time: 7.00p.m. - 9.30p.m.
Tutor: Claire Corroon

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