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ICT News and Information for Bedfordshire Schools

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The aim of this newsletter is to highlight new developments and good practice and alert schools to new learning opportunities.
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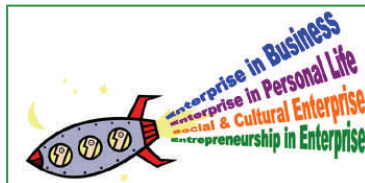
Sharing Learning Online : Forums



Bedfordshire Against Bullying now has nearly 100 student postings on the Netmedia Learning Platform. Students from many schools are really appreciating the opportunity to share their views and approaches about anti-bullying. This is one of the growing number of 'my classes' examples showing the huge learning potential of safe online forums.

Are your students taking part? Do they know about these facilities?

Sharing Learning Online: Online Conferences

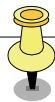


National Enterprise week this year is part of 'Global Entrepreneurship' week which is the first worldwide celebration of enterprise, aiming to unleash young people's enterprising ideas and address some of society's biggest issues, from poverty reduction to climate change. The GLC Virtual Conference Centre is supporting this event by re-opening its

"Enterprise: Starship or Your Route to Independence" Conference. It will be live from 17th to 23rd November and suitable for secondary students. There are guidance notes for teachers and posters available in the 'documents' section of the conference foyer together with templates for further presentations—which would be very welcome. To visit the conference centre and browse the conference, go to:

www.glc.me.uk/conferences

The GLC Online Conference Centre is a great way to share learning with others. If you would like to talk through an idea for hosting an online conference, email j.oliver@glc.me.uk



Opportunities and Notices



E-Safety Conference

E2BN is hosting a Conference at Shuttleworth College on 4th December.

The programme includes an examination of your legal responsibility, engaging parents, an overview of E-Safety teaching resources and an Acceptable Use Policy scrutiny. If you want to know more about young people's use of the internet, your legal responsibilities and the e-safety resources available, this conference is relevant to you.

For details and how to book a place, go to:
www.e2bn.org/events



New Learning Platform Facilities

Over half term, the Netmedia Learning Platform will be down in order to increase capacity, upgrade functionality and bring online the SCORM player. The SCORM player will allow teachers to access third party content such as SAM learning, mymaths and 2simple and also track pupils' progress through activities defined and/or selected by the teacher.

To support the use of the SCORM player, we are holding a training session for all teachers **at the Rufus Centre on Tuesday, 9th December from 4.00 to 6.00 p.m.**

Places are limited. Book with Bethany Coles asap on 01234 836023
bethany.coles@rhouse.co.uk



E-Learning PSG Group Meetings

The first meeting of this school year took place this week. As always, creating and sharing resources was on the agenda and Bedfordshire's Student Consultants gave a presentation about the involvement of student mentors in e-learning. You can join further meetings at Priory Conference Centre from 2.00 to 4.00 p.m. on:

24 March 09 & 15 June 09

Contact Rashida.Din@greys.beds.sch.uk or Dee.Kerwick-Chrisp@greys.beds.sch.uk



University of Bedfordshire

MA 'Resource and e-based Learning'

The taster session for the MA will take place at the University of Bedfordshire (Polhill Campus), Room P1.13, 4.30-6pm, Tuesday 25th November.

Places are limited. Book with Louise Oliver asap on 01234 836112
louise.oliver@rhouse.co.uk



The Cooperative Solar Panel Scheme

100 schools around the UK are already benefiting from the Co-op's Green Energy for Schools scheme, with free solar panel systems worth £20,000 fitted to their school. A further £1 million is now committed to further support the installation of renewable technologies in schools, and members of the Co-op can now nominate schools which they would like to receive free solar panels.

For further information, go to:
www.co-operative.coop/ourcampaigns/climatechange/greenenergyforschools

Next IM Seminar

Last opportunity for data managers is on Wednesday 12th November at Rufus Centre, Flitwick; 9.30-3.00pm. Free, Lunch provided.

Contact cathy.piotrowski@rhouse.co.uk for further details.

Learning Platform Workshops

Time: 4.00 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

Date: Tuesday, 11th November
Venue: Priory Business Park
Date: Thursday, 13th November
Venue: Hitchmead Special School
Date: Wednesday, 19th November
Venue: Henlow Middle School
Date: Tuesday, 2nd December
Venue: Priory Business Park

For session details, contact
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The next e-learning newsletter will be issued on Friday, 28th November, 2008

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