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STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Our study skills workshops, designed for students across all year groups and their parents/guardians, directly address the crucial question: how do we study effectively? These highly popular sessions empower students to become independent and efficient learners while equipping parents/guardians with the tools to support their children's academic efforts. By the end of the session, both students and parents/guardians will be well prepared to tackle the challenges of exams with confidence!

KICK START SESSIONS

Workshops for students new to secondary school.

- **KICK START CHANGE** – Building students resilience and positive mental energy.
- **KICK START STUDY** – Developing healthy study and working at home habits.

These are standalone workshops. They can be booked separately or together as a package.

KS3 STUDY SKILLS

Building a growth mindset, sustaining motivation and getting organised.

KS4 STUDY SKILLS

Putting in place the right steps to deliver exam success.

KS5 STUDY SKILLS

Getting to grips with the demands of advanced level study.

SPECIALIST WORKSHOPS

TOTAL RECALL

Strengthening memory and recall during exams.

(Workshops available for all Key Stages.)

COLLABORATIVE LEARNING GROUPS

Exploring the process of creating efficient and productive student study groups.

(Workshops available for KS4 and KS5 students.)

PARENT STUDY

Sessions for parents/guardians to help them better support their children with home study. The sessions can be delivered as either a **TALK** with just the parents/guardians, or a **PARTICIPATION WORKSHOP** with parents/guardians and their children working together trying out our study methods and approaches.

New for 2024/25:

All our KS4 and KS5 study skills courses now include a section on harnessing AI to support effective learning and studying.



STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

WORKSHOPS

Equipping students with the skills, attitudes and drive they need to achieve and thrive in school, work and life.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Developing the skills and qualities required to effectively lead within their school community and beyond.

(Workshops available for KS5 Students.)

PRESENTATION SKILLS

Building the skills and confidence to speak effectively in public and deliver powerful presentations.

Workshops are available for all Key Stages:

- Steps to Successful Presenting – KS3
- Targeting Successful Presenting – KS4
- Delivering Successful Presentations – KS5

PAIRED READING MENTORING

- Specialist training for KS4 and KS5 students to support the reading development of other students.

NUMERACY MENTORING

- Specialist training for KS4 and KS5 students to support the numeracy development of other students.

SUBJECT-BASED MENTORING

- Specialist training for KS4 and KS5 students to support other students to improve their outcomes in a variety of subjects.

POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH MENTORING

- Specialist training for KS4 and KS5 students to support other students to maintain a positive mental attitude.

WHAT SCHOOLS ARE SAYING ABOUT US

"We have used Learn Spark for a number of years to deliver support and training for parents and students to get them revision ready. They have a wealth of knowledge to share and are so entertaining! Parents in particular have found the support invaluable and we have found the sessions an excellent starting point to develop our partnership with parents in their children's learning."

Jennifer Yeates

Vice Principal, Limavady Grammar School, Limavady.

LEARNING AND TEACHING DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Our learning and teaching development programmes provide teachers with knowledge, inspiration, and the opportunity to delve into the core elements of a high-quality lesson. The courses are continuously revised to integrate the most recent research from around the world. During the sessions, teachers are prompted to reflect on and challenge their own approach to lesson preparation, to ensure they provide the best possible learning opportunities for their students.

GREAT LESSONS AND HOW TO STRUCTURE THEM

Reconnecting teachers with the fundamentals of a high-quality lesson.

STUDENTS DOING MORE FOR THEMSELVES

Developing students' metacognition and self-regulation capabilities.

CRAFTING MEANINGFUL HOMEWORKS

The purpose and core components of high-quality homework.

TARGETING EFFECTIVE QUESTIONING

Questioning approaches to support and challenge learning.

'THINKING' AT THE HEART OF CLASSROOM PRACTICE

Thinking pathways to support the development of students' thinking skills.

GETTING STUDENTS TALKING

Strategies and approaches to help students 'learn to talk' and 'learn through talk'.

CLOSING THE GAP WITH MARKING

Methods for assessing and providing feedback to students on their work.

EMPOWERING AND ENGAGING HIGH ACHIEVERS

Approaches to elevate the performance of high ability students.

NEXT LEVEL DIFFERENTIATION

Approaches to engage and challenge students at all levels.

WHAT SCHOOLS ARE SAYING ABOUT US

"Working with Learn Spark is an absolute pleasure, both in terms of their planning & execution of professional development sessions. Their attention to detail, professionalism, & willingness to ensure the training is interactive, informed by research, & bespoke to our school's specific requirements & ethos is exemplary. They always exude a positive outlook & demeanour; the energy & enthusiasm they bring to TPL sessions are key to staff enjoyment & engagement."

Vicky Murray

Vice Principal, Blessed Trinity College, Belfast.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Our leadership courses for teachers draw from the latest research in education leadership practices. They offer a balanced blend of theory and practical application, providing a wealth of advice and strategies designed to empower and inspire both new and experienced leaders. Our courses cater to aspiring, middle and senior leaders, promising to challenge, embolden and drive meaningful change.

KNOWING YOURSELF AS A LEADER AND BUILDING A TEAM

Knowing yourself as a leader and moving your team towards a collective goal.

ACTIONING YOUR CHANGE AGENDA

Action planning, monitoring and evaluating impact on the ground.

SCHOOL SELF EVALUATION: UNLEASHING EXCELLENCE

Self-reflective practices at the middle leadership and whole school level.

LEADING ADVANCEMENTS IN TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Ensuring a sustained focus on high quality learning and teaching.

MASTERING DIFFICULT STAFF INTERACTIONS AND CONVERSATIONS

Approaches and techniques to secure alignment on shared objectives.

MASTERING DIFFICULT PARENT INTERACTIONS AND CONVERSATIONS

Strategies and techniques to effectively manage parent-teacher interactions.

SPOTLIGHT ON LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

A series of short workshops designed to equip middle and senior leaders with the skills they need to deliver improvement and change during these challenging and turbulent times.

The programme features 4 x 2-hour workshops, each building on the other:

- **Session 1:** Knowing Yourself as a Leader
- **Session 2:** Building a Successful Team
- **Session 3:** Actioning Your Change Agenda
- **Session 4:** Handling Challenging Interactions

BESPOKE TRAINING SERVICE

We can create customised training programmes or courses that cater precisely to your requirements, guaranteeing a focused and productive learning experience. Just let us know which areas you want to focus on, and we'll tailor the training to suit your needs.

LITERACY DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Our courses are research-based, and provide strategies and resources to help promote Literacy throughout the school community. Teachers, classroom assistants and parents/guardians will leave the sessions feeling confident and empowered to support children in developing their Literacy skills, not just for school but in order to lead fulfilling and satisfying lives.

STRENGTHENING LITERACY ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

Strategies and approaches to support all teachers in promoting and embedding Literacy within their subject.

GUIDING PARENTS AND GUARDIANS: HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH LITERACY

Resources, methods and advice to support parents/guardians in aiding their child's Literacy development.

ENABLING STUDENTS WITH LITERACY DIFFICULTIES

Strategies and methods for use in any subject to help students access all aspects of the curriculum despite their barrier(s) to learning.

EMPOWERING CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS TO SUPPORT LITERACY (Introductory Course)

Strategies and methods to help students with vocabulary, reading for meaning and understanding.

EMPOWERING CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS TO SUPPORT LITERACY (Advanced Course)

Further strategies and methods to improve students' speaking and listening, reading and writing.

SPECIALIST COURSES FOR LITERACY CO-ORDINATORS

- Roles and Responsibilities of Effective Literacy Co-ordinators
- Strategies to Support the Delivery of Post-Primary Disciplinary Literacy
- Literacy Action Planning and Policy Development

WHAT SCHOOLS ARE SAYING ABOUT US

"Our staff and students have benefited greatly from the training and workshops provided to us over the years from Learn Spark. We have been inspired and supported on our journey to raise standards and meet the needs of students through the sessions we have participated in. We have enjoyed the high energy, interactive, engaging and progressive content and delivery."

Catherine McHugh

Principal, St Patrick's College, Dungannon.



CLASSROOM ASSISTANT COURSES

Our research-based courses provide strategies and resources to help classroom assistants enhance their effectiveness in steering and guiding the learning of all students. They will leave the sessions feeling confident and empowered to support and supplement the high-quality learning and teaching across the curriculum.

GETTING TO GRIPS WITH THE CLASSROOM ASSISTANT ROLE

Exploring the role of the classroom assistant as a support to individual students and the rest of the class.

CONSOLIDATING THE CLASSROOM ASSISTANT ROLE

Further enabling classroom assistants to support students to develop as independent and self-regulated learners.

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COMING UP in 2024/25:

EDUCATION SEMINARS

Open access courses for those working in the education sector.

ROUND TABLE EDUCATION WEBINARS

Virtual learning space featuring renowned local, national and international speakers.

E-LEARNING COURSES

A range of interactive e-learning courses for those working in the education sector.

ONLINE SHOP

Education-based products for teachers, students and parents/guardians.

We hope this quick guide has sparked your interest in what Learn Spark can offer you and your school community. For more details on all these courses and programmes, visit our website: www.learnspark.co.uk.

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