Herefordshire Home Learning in Primary Schools Good Practice Conference

Wednesday 8th July 14:00 – 16:20 – via Zoom - please register here

CONFERENCE AGENDA

14:00   1. Introduction – Mark Sanderson, Computing Consultant, Herefordshire

14:10   2. The overall picture in Herefordshire – Wayne Simner, HMI

Wayne is one of the two HMIs who undertook the footwork on the recent survey of schools. As such he has a good picture of where schools are, and what are their fears and frustrations; he brings to this perception a knowledge from beyond our county. In this session he will outline what the survey uncovered and what we can do to move forward.

14:20   3. What have you been doing in your school? – group discussion

We'll use "breakout rooms" in Zoom to have small round the table discussions about what has worked well for you, in your classroom and school and share some of your successes disasters and fears. We'll feedback to the wider group during these breakout sessions via the Facebook group: Herefordshire Home Learning Staffroom. Feel free to join that in advance.

14:35   4. Seesaw – a whole school implementation in lockdown – Kath Price, Hampton Dene

Many teachers at Hampton Dene were ahead of the curve at lockdown because they were already using Seesaw as a learning platform in school. Kath will explain how they quickly tweaked what they were doing, upgraded to "Seesaw for Schools" and how they intend to build on their excellent practice once everyone is back in school again.

14:50   5. Zoom School – Sara Herriott (and children), Brampton Abbotts CE Primary

Sara Herriott was determined that her children would not be disadvantaged by the lockdown and immediately identified Seesaw and Zoom as her two main tools for delivery of continued high-quality teaching. She and her TA Jemma have been running Zoom lessons throughout every day of the lockdown. Other teachers quickly followed. She will explain her journey. She'll also touch on her children's exciting spin-off from all this that will launch very soon. If you haven't read Sara's excellent and entertaining article on what Brampton Abbotts' school have achieved, it's compelling reading.

15:10   6. Learning by Questions free trial – Jon Chambers, Learning by Questions

We've had Jon along to a Computing Conference before to outline how this product works. A few schools took out subscriptions. Over the last few months the company has been working flat out to meet demand for this platform which offers a simple and

effective way to measure learning and set expectations. It has the further advantage of being a brilliant tool in a blended learning environment (Part face-to-face and part remote). Jon will briefly outline how it works and how it has benefited teachers, children and schools and will follow up with a dedicated session for those who wish to know more.

15:25   **7. Home learning on a website – Steve Warrell, Weobley Primary**

Weobley have been making good use of their purpose (home) build WordPress website to set and gather in work. Steve has also been running a Friday celebration assembly on Facebook. He will explain their journey.

15:40   **8. Getting kit into children's homes – Dan Brearey Brampton Abbotts and Bridstow**

These two schools have loaned around 100 pieces of kit out to children during the lockdown. This is something that many schools have struggled with. Dan will outline briefly how he went about it.

15:50   **9. The journey to a learning platform – Nicola Gorry & Emma Stead - Leintwardine**

Leintwardine Primary is another school that was fortunate enough to hit the ground running with solutions already embedded through the school. They tried a number of different approaches that included Seesaw, Zoom, work on the website and some content providers. Nic and Emma will explain their journey and what worked best.

16:05   **10 Questions and Answers – presenters above.**

Here's your opportunity to get a few direct answers to questions raised in "chat" as the conference has gone along.

16:20   **Conference ends.**

Please register your interest in attending

Join the conference on the day - please install Zoom in advance