Early Childhood Leaders’ Network for 2013

A unique professional learning opportunity for ECE leaders!

The University of Auckland Centre for Educational Leadership (UACEL) and EC Professional Support have partnered again to present a professional learning network for leaders. This programme entails face-to-face and online learning forums - providing a platform to establish a professional learning community for leaders in early childhood services.

The programme commences with a session focused on learning and consolidating the theory and skills of Open-to-Learning Conversations (OLCs). Subsequent sessions respond to the specific identified needs of the group and are likely to cover the following topics:

- Further theory and practice on Open-to-Learning Conversations. (This will be an on-going theme across most sessions).
- One session will be dedicated to self-management – “Surviving Leadership”
- Problem solving
- Assessment for learning
- Developing as a learning community
- Developing the leadership capability of others

Testimonials from 2012

“I have really enjoyed and benefited from this programme. The ongoing nature of the programme, whereby each session has built on the previous, is really effective in maintaining my commitment to practising the skills learnt”

“I thoroughly enjoyed the course and gained so much knowledge from it. I will recommend this course to other professional leaders. It was very helpful and very valuable as a teacher and leader”

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Venue: Sessions will take place at the University of Auckland Faculty of Education, Epsom Campus. Room to be confirmed

Facilitators

Linda Bendikson
Linda Bendikson is the Director for The University of Auckland Centre for Educational Leadership. Linda brings her expertise in the education sector as a teacher, principal, and most recently, as Regional Manager (Central North) for the Ministry of Education. A life-long educationalist, Linda completed her PhD studies at The University of Auckland in 2011. Her PhD research focuses on educational management and leadership. She has developed a method for assessing the performance of secondary schools, including those which are improving over a four-year period. She has also linked school performance to aspects of instructional leadership and school culture. Aspects of Linda’s research have been published in the Journal of Educational Administration and she has recently co-authored a chapter in Leadership and Learning (Editors: Jan Robertson and Helen Timperley) along with Viviane Robinson and John Hattie – her PhD supervisors.

Barbara Watson
Barbara Watson has been a facilitator and mentor in the EC Professional Support team at The University of Auckland since 2008. She also lectures on a number of the University’s early childhood courses. She has a passion for supporting teachers to make effective links between theory and practice therefore improving learning outcomes for children. Barbara has particular interests in leadership, mentoring and assessment. Barbara is a qualified early childhood and primary teacher and has owned and managed early childhood centres. She graduated with her Masters of Educational Administration (Hons) from Massey University in 2008 focusing on leadership and adult education. Barbara is currently studying toward a PhD focused on mentoring in education and care services.

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