WK101 - Pre-Term Toolkit An Introduction to Primary Education

This is a module which shows the history of primary education, themes throughout history, and up to date ideas and practice.



8 items

Week One: What is Primary Education? (2 items)

This first week we start with an overview of primary education. I'd like you to read chapter one of the key book, Teaching & Learning..., which is available online, but do spend some time listening to the Radio 4 series 'Abacus to Circle Time'. Look through the notes for each resource, and decide what further reading interests you.

Teaching and learning through reflective practice: a practical guide for positive action, by Ghaye, Tony; Ghaye, Tony; Dawsonera, 2011

Book | **Key** | This is the key book for this week - in particular chapter nine. Consider, what is Ghaye's main points regarding the development of primary education since the 70s.

What is creativity in science education? - in Creativity in primary education, by J Johnson, 2009

Chapter | Key | Please read this chapter ahead of our next seminar

Week Two: Examples of outstanding teaching (3 items)

This week we'll be looking at examples of outstanding teaching. What makes teaching outstanding? The key resource is a video from Teachers TV - please make sure you view that, but also look around the further resources, clips, books, webpages, and decide what you feel is outstanding teaching.

Developing outstanding teaching: Session 1 - Significant Progress: CM clip 1, Teachers TV, Feb 22, 2011

Audio-visual document | Further | A short clip from Teachers TV, highlighting examples of outstanding teaching practice in the primary classroom.

Clip - Disruption in the classroom

Audio-visual document | Recommended | Look at this short clip about disruption in the classroom. What influences the children involved? How do you think the situation was dealt with?

Radio 4 Series - Abacus to Circle Time: A Short History of the Primary School

Audio-visual document | Recommended | A three part radio series which covers the history and development of the primary school. Look to listen to all three parts, but in particular the discussion in part two regarding how primary schools developed in the 60s.

Week Three: Influences outside the classroom (3 items)

This week we'll be looking at how external factors, for example socio-economic factors,

parenting, technological factors, can influence what goes on inside the classroom. Key resource this week is an online report from Ofsted, which finds the effect of poverty on educational attainment.

Ofsted early years report 2015, 2015

Document | Key | This report highlights one of the main issues surrounding early eyars education today...

A Bit of a Curate's Egg? Three Decades of Official Thinking About the Quality of Schools - in British Journal of Educational Studies, by John Gray, 1997-03

Article | Further | An excellent overview of 30 years of discussion around quality of teaching.

School-Family Relations In Context: Parent and Teacher Perceptions of Parent Involvement - in Urban Education, by M. A. Lawson, 2003-01-01

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