

D4LC - Update and News

Thank you to all D4LC Phase 1 schools and teachers

An enormous thank you for your collective energy and hard work during the D4LC pilot. The Phase 1 pilot project is nearing completion, but D4LC will be continuing both locally, nationally and internationally. Please read on...

The Future - every school a D4LC school?

D4LC Phase 2 commences on 14 September with a Launch Conference in Norwich (details tbc). Fred Corbett, Deputy Director of Children's Services, is committed to giving every Norfolk school the opportunity to engage with D4LC and become a D4LC school if they wish.

Meeting at QCA (supported by Mick Waters)

On 30 October, Mick Waters, Director of Curriculum at QCA, hosted a meeting to disseminate the model and project outcomes to key agencies, including the Primary and Secondary National Strategies, QCA, Creative Partnerships, Arts Council England, SSAT and the DMCS. Norfolk teachers, teaching assistants and the core D4LC National Drama team presented the project. The full external project evaluation will be available on Norfolk Esinet from January 2007.

D4LC Lessons and DVD

Most D4LC teachers met their commitment and submitted a successful drama lesson using the agreed proforma. These lessons (and proforma) are freely available (unedited) on

<http://norfolkesinet.org.uk> (either search for D4LC or follow the links to School Staff, Projects & Events and D4LC). Twenty-six of these lessons have been edited and are available to purchase in hard copy with the DVD from February 2007. Norfolk D4LC schools and National Drama members can purchase these at a 10% discount. D4LC research schools will receive complimentary copies at the publication launch (see below).

PUBLICATION LAUNCH - all welcome

The official publication launch of the D4LC publication 'Drama for Learning and Creativity' and the accompanying DVD, will take place at the Norwich Professional Development Centre on Monday, 19 February from 4.30 to 6.00 pm. Fred Corbett, Deputy Director of Children's Services, will open the launch. All schools are invited to come and watch the DVD and learn more about D4LC Phase 2. Look out for an invitation on the e-courier or contact Gill Seaton for further details and to book your place (01603 433276).

Qualifications and Curriculum Authority D4LC Co-development Network

D4LC teachers are being invited to form a QCA 'Co-development Network'. Robin Widdowson from QCA will meet with all interested D4LC teachers on Tuesday, 6 February in the Conference Suite at The Racecourse, Salhouse Road, Norwich from 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm to explain this opportunity. Supply cover (half-day) is available if required for D4LC teachers.

D4LC at the National Theatre

D4LC was presented at an event held by the QCA English Team at the National Theatre in October. Key agency reps and theatre education reps were present, as were English subject association representatives.

D4LC Teachers' Network (supported by Norfolk Drama Network) - all welcome

Many D4LC teachers have asked for the opportunity to continue to meet together to share lessons and ideas, and receive ongoing support at free Network twilights. Norfolk Drama Network has agreed to host termly D4LC network meetings that are open to all teachers and teaching assistants. The first D4LC teachers' Norfolk Drama Network meeting will be at Norwich Professional Development Centre on Thursday, 8 March from 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm. Teachers and teaching assistants not part of D4LC Phase 1 are welcome to attend. Please contact Gill Seaton for further information (01603 433276).

National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts (NESTA)

On 4 December, D4LC was presented at a 'Knowledge Sharing Day' for NESTA projects held in London. This day was arranged by the Eastern Leadership Centre and hosted by NESTA. NESTA project leaders met to learn

from each other and share ideas for future projects together.

Creative Partnerships 'Exciting Minds Expo' - Manchester

D4LC was presented in Manchester at a huge national event organised by Creative Partnerships. The D4LC Project Director, Patrice Baldwin, spoke about the project. National Drama's exhibition promoted D4LC through a display and presentation of the DVD.

Local Authorities' D4LC Conference

A conference for local authority representatives will be held by National Drama in partnership with NCC on 19 June 2007. Mick Waters, Director of Curriculum at QCA, and Fred Corbett, Deputy Director of Children's Services, will both speak at this important event.

D4LC National Conferences (UK)

National Drama is fulfilling its commitment to NESTA by organising D4LC Conferences in Cardiff, Glasgow, London and Belfast as well as a 'Drama Dialogue Day' at the The Sage, Gateshead (keynote by Dorothy Heathcote). To book online visit: www.nationaldrama.co.uk. Reduced rates for Norfolk teachers. To claim a discount as a Norfolk teacher, email: D4LCadmin@nationaldrama.co.uk

Order your copy of the D4LC publication and DVD now!

NORFOLK SCHOOLS PRICE	D4LC folder	£25.00
	(model outcomes and 26 lessons, KS1, 2, 3)	
	DVD	£13.50
	Folder + DVD	£35.00

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