

North East Regional Conference

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October 13th 2017

Ramside Hall Hotel, Carville, Durham

Barbara Priestman Academy and Thinking Schools International invite you to join us on October 13th for a day where the focus will be on cognitive education. Our keynote speakers are Professor Steve Higgins, University of Durham and Gordon Poad. In addition there will be workshops where practising teachers will share classroom practice.

Key Speakers



Steve Higgins

Professor of Education at Durham University. A former primary school teacher, his research interests include the areas of effective use of digital technologies for learning in schools, understanding how children's thinking and reasoning develops, and how teachers can be supported in developing the quality and effectiveness of teaching and learning in their classrooms. He is the lead author of the Sutton Trust - Educational Endowment Fund Teaching and Learning Toolkit reflecting his interest in understanding the effective use of research evidence for policy and practice.



Gordon Poad

Gordon Poad has worked for the last 25 years in two fields, the theatre and in education. Are these worlds so very different? Gordon will reflect on how the values of being an effective actor and theatre director could be deployed by us all in developing a learning offer that is creative, highly personalised, focused and authentic. Drawing upon his experiences of working with some of the hardest to reach students in the North East of England to leading the improvement of countless schools worldwide alongside Professor John Hattie, his message is always 'be fully present and teach with your heart and your head.'

Workshop titles will include:

- > Growth Mindset
- > An Introduction to P4C
- > Developing Questioning skills
- > Dramatic Enquiry
- > De Bono's Thinking Hats
- > The Thinking Classroom
- > Developing Dispositions and Attitudes

Here are some comments from previous conferences

- > Every year I come away enthused and excited to get back into the classroom.
- > Utter brilliance - reinvented love of teaching.
- > A very enjoyable, thought provoking and useful two days.
- > Refreshing to meet like-minded colleagues and professionals to discuss their practice.
- > It has really given me a chance to think about my vision for the school.
- > Thoroughly enjoyed the chance to listen, learn and meet new people.
- > A wonderful event. Thank you.

Cost: £165 + VAT

Book your place today...

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