

Barnwell Network Event

18th October 2016



Our first network event of the year at Barnwell Middle School was attended by around eighty teachers including new members of the TLDW and MEd programmes as well as participants from previous years and TLDW tutors. All phases and settings are represented in both programmes this year from Early Years through to Secondary including Special schools making for a rich and vibrant community.

The event was divided into two sessions: posters and networking followed by workshops. Posters were mostly led by participants who are beginning their projects this year and wanted to take this opportunity to consult colleagues about their professional concern. As Broxbourne TLDW tutor Allison Pilbeam said “it’s better to get stuck in right away”.



As you see above, Rachel Woolrych and Kelly Scott’s posters enabled colleagues to engage in meaningful dialogue about their projects presenting their concerns in visual ways. Following discussion, post-it notes were available for any strategies or ideas to be recorded. A wonderful example of exercising leadership enabling the development of an enriched action plan for impact.

A range of workshops in the second session gave everyone a taste of what development work can look like. Project foci included developing growth mindsets and resilience, creating healthier children through impacting on parenting, supporting underachieving disadvantaged pupils and developing creativity. Hearing in depth about colleagues’ projects highlighted how much impact development work can have and its legacy throughout a community. Jane Jackson on the right here is a good example of this.





Light bulb moments from the network event



Listening to others' values.

I found a tighter focus for my own project.

I can make a difference.

Refinements and improvements occur with collaboration.

Thank you to Network Co-ordinators Paul Barnett and Emma Anderson as well as Rebecca Latta from Barnwell for their support in hosting the event and to Jasleen Dhillon, our HertsCam Administrator for supporting the organisation of the event. We look forward to seeing you at the next Network event at Wormley Primary School.