



Arabic Language and Culture in Schools

Friday 14 December 2012

Dulwich College

A conference for those teaching Arabic in mainstream, independent and complementary sectors, those thinking of teaching Arabic or teachers and heads from schools which have, or would like to have, a link with an Arabic speaking country.

We acknowledge gratefully the financial support of The Anglo-Omani Society which sponsors all of the catering for the day, British Council and CfBT for sponsoring speakers, and we thank our hosts, Dulwich College, for their kind hospitality.

Programme

- 9.45 Registration and refreshments on arrival
- 10.00 **Plenary: Languages in the UK: recent trends, future hopes**
Speak to the Future – Nick Mair, Independent Schools Modern Languages Association
Languages in the UK; the UK in the World - Steven Fawkes, Association for Language Learning
- 10.15 Keynote speech, School Twinning project with Alexandria, Egypt
Chase Terrace School, Staffordshire
- 11.00 Break and refreshments
- 11.20 – 12.05 **Plenary: Using Playful Learning for Arabic Script Learning**
Dr. Muntasir Al-Hmad University of Qatar
- 12.05 – 12.30 **Snapshots of Workshops**
Workshop presenters will give a brief outline of their session along with a reference to where participants can find out more if they cannot attend the session
- 12.30 – 13.15 **Workshop 1** – choose from:
Getting started with Arabic in school - Samia Earle
Incorporating Arabic culture into lessons - Taoufiq Cherkaoui, Belle Vue Girls School, Bradford
Resources Swap Shop chaired by Steven Fawkes Please bring your favourite idea to share with others in a very short time (3 mins)!
Assessing Arabic in UK schools - Sawsan Saffaf

13.15 – 14.15 Lunch and exhibition in the Salle

14.15 – 15.00 Workshop 2 – choose from:

School partnerships - Vicky Gough, British Council

Arabic Toolkit - useful cultural resources for schools - Samia Earle and Doha Kudsi

e-Learning for Arabic - Mourad Diouri

Professional development for school teachers of Arabic: foundations in understanding and practice - Dr Jim Anderson (Goldsmiths, University of London) Asif Khan (PGCE Arabic student teacher at Goldsmiths, 2011-2012)

15.05 – 15.50 **Plenary 3: Panel: Next steps for Arabic**

Views, hopes and aspirations from different perspectives, including from delegates

Chaired and noted by Steven Fawkes, ALL

15.50 Conference evaluation and close

Cost: £50

Including refreshments and lunch

Reduced rate: £30 for teachers in community schools, trainee teachers and members of ALL.

Please address any enquires to: arabicconference12@mail.com

