

RESEARCHING FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHING IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

IN COLLABORATION WITH



Friday 14th February 2014 10:30am—3:30pm

This one day interactive workshop will provide a valuable opportunity for collaboration between researchers and practitioners with an interest in carrying out research into primary school foreign language learning and teaching.

Delegates will work in thematic groups of their choice, along with a leading researcher. Drawing on their classroom experiences and on the research expertise provided, delegates will refine research questions, plan the methods, and design the execution of a research project (individual or collaborative).

THEMES:

ICT in the primary foreign language classroom

Researcher: Dr Zoe Handley (University of York)

Motivation, attitudes and identity

Researcher: Dr Florentina Taylor (University of York)

Progression in grammar and vocabulary

Researchers: Dr Emma Marsden & Rowena Hanan (University of York)

Teaching foreign language literacy

Researchers: Professor Rosamond Mitchell & Alison Porter (University of Southampton)

Transition from primary to secondary school

Researcher: Professor Suzanne Graham (University of Reading)

Other areas (e.g. inter-cultural understanding, cross-curricular links, CLIL) can also be specified, but would be addressed under one of the themes above.

In preparation for the event: a pre-workshop pack will be provided, including two or three key articles on the chosen topic.

Following the event: delegates are invited to carry out a small scale action research project and write a brief (2 –3 page) summary of their project by 30th April 2014. Their 'thematic researcher' will provide commentary and feedback on the report.

To register or for more information contact Rowena Hanan: reh505@york.ac.uk

Registration deadline: October 31st 2013 (Maximum 50 places)

Cost: £45 or FREE for members of the *Association for Language Learning* or *British Association of Applied Linguistics*. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Paying delegates will automatically be given membership to one of these Associations of their choice.

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