



Press Release

Association for Language Learning celebrates 20th Birthday

The Association for Language Learning (ALL), based at the University of Leicester, is celebrating its 20th birthday in March 2010. ALL was formed from seven founder associations in 1990, to create a nationwide community of language teachers.

For the past twenty years ALL has represented and supported teachers of languages of all kinds and in all sectors; helping teachers to stay informed, through its magazines and journals; up to date on policy and methodology, through its training events; and motivated, through its national conference, Language World.

Language World brings together all that's best in the world of language teaching: top thinkers in language education speaking on topics close to their hearts, leading practitioners sharing their latest resources, policy makers explaining the thinking behind recent developments and passionate teachers ready to share ideas and exchange views.

"Language World is the event that helps me to remember that we are an important part of the curriculum. It provides an amazing morale boost at a time when language teachers do not necessarily feel as valued as they should be," said Isabelle Jones, Head of Languages at The Radclyffe School, Oldham.

Language World 2010 takes place at the University of York, 26-27 March 2010. Its theme is "Building on Firm Foundations – Steps to Success", and talks will include: Creativity in the Language Classroom, Embedding Language Learning into the Primary Curriculum, and Promoting Languages in Schools. There will also be a special celebration for ALL's 20th birthday, looking back over its achievements, and looking forward to new developments.

To find out more, visit ALL's website: www.all-languages.org.uk or find ALL on Facebook.

For more information about Language World 2010, and to book a place, go to:

<http://tinyurl.com/LWBooking>.



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Notes to Editors:

1. The Association for Language Learning (ALL)

ALL is the UK-wide subject association for language teachers – of whatever language, at any level. It is run by teachers and other professionals actively involved in language learning and teaching. It exists to represent and support language teachers.

www.all-languages.org.uk

2. Language World

Language World is the national conference of the Association for Language Learning. It is the major event in the language teacher's calendar. For more information about Language World conferences since ALL was founded in 1990, please see attached document, 20 Language Worlds.pdf. For more information about this year's conference, please see:

<http://tinyurl.com/LWBooking>

3. Facebook

For more information about the day to day work of ALL, and for special interviews with twenty ALL members on what Language World means to them, visit ALL's Facebook site.

<http://tinyurl.com/ALLonFacebook>