

# **Excellent Drama**

Teaching strategies to facilitate writing and speaking across the curriculum



## Curriculum links: English, PSHE, History

Suitable for: all KS1 and KS2 primary school teachers

8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 9am – 4pm Woodhall Room, Pudsey Civic Hall











## **Excellent Drama** Geoff Readman

Drama is a social art form which enables children to explore key concepts through imagined activities, in which they behave "as if" they are someone other than themselves. This simple shift in perspective facilitates the exploration of complex dilemmas from different viewpoints in a safe and secure context.

This full day practical workshop will offer teachers a range of drama techniques and conventions that can used to enhance and motivate pupils' learning. The day will be workshop-based, engaging participants in a process that is both relaxed and safe for everyone. Participants will have the opportunity to develop their planning expertise and to apply their new skills to their existing curriculum.

The day will include:

- An introduction to different starting points for teaching drama
- The opportunity to explore and engage in a variety of drama strategies and approaches that facilitate language and writing
- The development of planning skills

The activities will be structured around:

- Stories: using children's literature to stimulate, plan and extend dramatic activity
- Drama Conventions: practical experience of a range of conventions to facilitate planning
- Teacher in Role: the teacher adopts a role and works in the fiction to deepen the learning

This course is designed for teachers who are interested in developing key teaching skills that will deepen their pupils learning. There is no requirement for teachers to have previous experience of drama.

### <u>Cost</u>

#### £240

**NB:** If your school has purchased the **Art/s Subject Leader Package**, a member of staff can attend this training for no additional charge. This would be your Session Two option. Additional places can be booked at a **discounted** rate of £210

#### **Course Leader:**

Dr Geoff Readman is currently a Consultant in Theatre and Drama Education. He has previously worked as an actor-teacher, primary and secondary teacher, inspector and university lecturer. He has published widely about drama, including a book for the BBC on primary drama. In addition to his work in the UK, he lectures in India. Recently, he has been working with Birmingham primary schools to explore how drama extends children's writing.

#### Course Code: AD-1117-T002

#### HOW TO BOOK

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