

SCILT actions since Feb 2017

Communication & Engagement

LinC group – most recent meeting of network took place on 10/05/18. LinC has become an official College Development Network. Work is underway to plan joint ventures for next year and an SLWG has been set up to take forward joint initiatives. This will include an extension of MTOT to include a section for undergraduates in FE/HE, plans for Language Bake Off for primary school aged children and up to four business brunch events for students in FE.

SCILT/UCMLS partnership - SCILT in process of setting up a SLWG for DYW activities that will develop a strategic approach to the development of school/business links that will focus on building capacity. There are currently 110 BLC projects underway in Scottish schools, representing almost 25% of all secondary schools.

SCILT is in process of supporting some HE establishments to adapt the Word Wizard format for use with advanced learners in university language departments..

Collaboration

SCILT/ES/ADES/GTCS

7 professional learning events are in diary for June 2017. SCILT strategy is to use this as a means of launching a strategic support package of follow up events throughout 2017/18 particularly targeted at secondary practitioners.

Collaborative partnerships

SLWG running on inclusion and Languages for All section of website has been populated. SLWG on parental engagement has been widened to include family learning. A list of questions has been put together for pupils, parents and teachers for use with focus groups in each of the seven inter-authority areas. This is with a view to finding out more about what kind of parents would like to help child's language learning. Presentation from SCILT at NPFS AGM and a joint NPFS/SCILT presentation at 1+2 languages leadership programme on parental engagement and family learning. Discussion of two possible events for families during 2017/18.

Curriculum

SCILT plans to change approach to how CLPL is offered. There will be less focus on the menu and more strategic targeting of seven inter-authority areas. SCILT primary team will be offering the methodology/pedagogy element of the distance language learning courses created in partnership with OU and LinC. Discussions are underway with GTCS regarding professional accreditation of the course.

Professional Development

SCILT CLPL provision

Renewed focus on practitioner enquiry and setting up of Professional Learning Partnerships with clusters that will support evidence based practice and small scale research.

Opportunities will be developed for teachers' learning to be shared and recognised.

SCILT officer to be seconded to SCEL 0.2. This will help inform SCILT's practitioner enquiry programme and particularly inform how we make better use of online professional learning.

Train the Trainer The Train the Trainer programme has been rebranded and relaunched in session 2017/18 as the **1+2 Language Leadership Programme**.

SCILT/OU/FE

Participating teachers have been identified from several local authorities for the pilot of the OU/SCILT/Edinburgh College online language courses. The registration process is being undertaken by the OU.

Case studies

Work on five case studies is already underway and will be published in August 2017 on SCILT website.