

Emerging Literacy during 2016/2017

Welcome back to the 2016/2017 session! We hope you had a great summer break! Emerging Literacy is an Authority development priority within Highland this session. Further training will take place and resources will continue to be published on the [Highland Literacy blog](#).

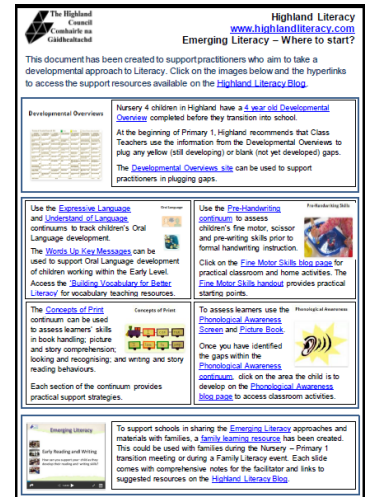
Dear colleagues,

Please find below the August Update from the Highland Emerging Literacy Group.

[Emerging Literacy – Where to start?](#)

We know that many Highland practitioners are either currently taking a developmental approach to literacy or planning on engaging with the Emerging Literacy support resources through this academic session; but with so many new resources being published over the last year - where do you start?

Click on the image on the right to access a document that captures the Emerging Literacy support materials on one page. The succinct guidance and hyperlinks aim to support practitioners across Highland to access the resources.



This is where we recommend P1 Teachers start when planning their Literacy learning experiences.

[Parental Engagement – Family Learning Resource](#)

To support schools in sharing the Emerging Literacy approaches and materials with families, a [family learning resource](#) has been created. Each slide comes with comprehensive notes for the facilitator and links to suggested resources on the [Highland Literacy blog](#).



Training 2016/2017

If you are a P1 practitioner, Support for Learning Teacher or Senior Manager and you have either not yet attended the initial Emerging Literacy training, or you would like to attend a follow-on training event which includes the updated resources from the 2015/2016 session, the following events are available on the [CPD calendar](#) for the upcoming session across the Authority.

ID	Ref	Start Date	Sector(s)	Title
51627	JCEL01	02/09/2016	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy PORTREE
51628	JCEL02	08/09/2016	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy DINGWALL
51629	JCEL03	30/09/2016	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy GOLSPIE
51630	JCEL04	25/10/2016	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy INVERNESS
51634	JCEL08	23/05/2017	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy DINGWALL
51631	JCEL05	25/05/2017	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy INVERNESS
51632	JCEL06	30/05/2017	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy FORT WILLIAM
51633	JCEL07	31/05/2017	Primary Head Teachers	Literacy: Emerging Literacy WICK

Local Networks 2016/2017

In addition to the one-day training we are also supporting Emerging Literacy Local Networks across the Authority. These have been designed based on the responses to the survey sent out to practitioners at the end of last session. The networks are ideal for P1 Teachers, Support for Learning Teachers and Senior Management Teams who are developing Emerging Literacy as part of their School Improvement Plan. Each network will meet four times throughout the course of this academic session. If you would like to join one of the local networks, please attend a network below.

If you require further information, please email james.cook@highland.gov.uk

Network Locality	Session 1 16:00 – 18:00 <i>Background and assessment tools</i>	Session 2 16:00 – 18:00 <i>Data analysis and support tools</i>	Session 3 16:00 – 18:00 <i>Planning for individuals</i>	Session 4 16:00 – 18:00 <i>Feedback and next steps</i>
Badenoch and Strathspey	07/09/2016	06/10/2016	17/11/2016	09/02/2017
Culloden and Nairn ASGs	31/08/2016	28/09/2016	09/11/2016	15/02/2017
Dingwall and Fortrose ASGs	29/08/2016	29/09/2016	08/11/2016	07/02/2017
Invergordon and Aness ASGs	30/08/2016	03/10/2016	07/11/2016	06/02/2017
Inverness Central Network	22/08/2016	27/09/2016	10/11/2016	13/02/2017
Lochaber Network	25/08/2016	05/10/2016	24/11/2016	08/02/2017
North Network (Thurso)	01/09/2016	04/10/2016	22/11/2016	16/02/2017

Words Up Key Messages – Training

To support the development of Oral Language within the Early Level, the Words Up Key Messages training is available on the CPD calendar for practitioners working with children in Early Years and Early Level settings. This can be accessed through the [CPD calendar](#).

Chatting Now



Course	Location	Date	Time
Words Up Level 1	MCC	24 th August 2016	6.00pm – 8.30pm
Words Up Level 1	Golspie Inn	6 th September 2016	6.00pm – 8.30pm
Words Up Level 1	PPP, Wick	7 th September 2016	8.30am – 4pm
Word Up Level 2	MCC	22nd September 2016	8.30am – 4pm
Word Up Level 2	Weigh Inn, Thurso	22nd September 2016	8.30am – 4pm
Word Up Level 2	Council Chamber & North Committee Room, Lochaber House	23rd September 2016	8.30am – 4pm
Words Up Level 1	Mallaig CC	29 th September 2016	1pm – 3.30pm
Words Up Level 1	Aviemore Community Centre	4 th October 2016	6.00pm – 8.30pm