

# National Family Learning Network Conference Parents as Partners in Learning

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## Morning Workshops 1 - 5

You can attend **1 workshop only** from this session (please select 3 workshop numbers in order of preference)

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## For further information

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Oak Tree Conference Centre, Coventry

Wednesday 16 September 2009

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Research consistently demonstrates that parents' involvement in supporting their children's learning both at home and in partnership with the school is critical in raising children's achievement, attainment and well-being. Their support can play a vital role at all stages of education and the benefits can be long lasting and influence future health, the quality of relationships and employment prospects.

We all know this and many organisations are committed to developing work that supports this aim.

It is clear that there is a need to bring all the excellent work together and provide an opportunity for everyone involved in this field to join up their thinking with a view to:

- Influence policy,
- Transform working approaches and ultimately
- Bring about sustainable cultural change.

This is particularly poignant when Government is actively reviewing approaches to involving parents as partners in learning, as highlighted in their latest White Paper **Your Child, Your Schools, Our Future: Building a 21st Century School System**, setting out statutory Pupil and Parent Guarantees

This conference is aimed at all those committed to taking this agenda forward and is specifically relevant to those working in Education, Children's Services, Health and Voluntary and Community Organisations.

Through a combination of whole conference presentations and stimulating interactive workshops, delegates will have the opportunity to explore:

- Implications of the White Paper
- Innovative practice that helps to build strong partnership links with parents.
- The PEQS (Parental Engagement Quality Standard) awarded by the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust and its impact on schools, mothers and fathers and children's achievement.
- Perceptions and misconceptions in relation to parents as partners in learning. (Do we know how well we are doing or do we just think we do?)
- The challenges faced by schools to achieve the Government requirement on online reporting to parents by 2010.
- The potential for digital technologies to support learning in family settings via school links.

This conference will be chaired by the National Family Learning Network partner organisations comprising of Campaign for Learning, NIACE and Continyou.

## Programme

- 9.30 **Registration and refreshments**
- 10.00 **Welcome**  
Tricia Hartley, Chief Executive, Campaign for Learning
- 10.10 **Engaging Parents in Learning - Schools as a Catalyst**  
*Keynote speaker:* Jan Tallis, Chief Executive, School-Home Support
- 10.40 **Your Time is my Time**  
Sister Tree Community Theatre Group
- 11.00 **21st Century Schools - Stronger Partnership with Parents**  
*Keynote speaker:* Julia Gault, Head of Family Engagement Division, Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF)
- 11.30 **Refreshments and networking**
- 12.00 **Morning workshop session**  
Workshops 1-5
- 13.00 **Lunch**
- 14.00 **Parents as Partners? Parents are Partners!**  
Alan Cowley, Engagement in Education Ltd
- 14.20 **Teachers are from Mars, Parents are from Venus.**  
Iain Williams, Deputy Headteacher, Bradley Stoke Community School, South Gloucestershire
- 14.40 **Share our Languages**  
Dr Charmian Kenner, Lecturer, Goldsmiths, University of London
- 15.00 **Afternoon workshop session**  
Workshops 6-10
- 16.00 Jonathan Berry, Executive Director, Health and Wellbeing, ContinYou
- 16.15 Conference Close

## Workshop sessions

- Parents as Partners in Health**  
**Workshop 1 and 6**  
*Janet Solla, Skilled for Health National Programme Manager, ContinYou and Helen Baker, Skilled for Health Project Manager, ContinYou*
- Building an evidence base of impact. Examples from Family Learning Impact Funding.**  
**Workshop 2 and 7**  
*Clare Meade, Acting Programme Director, Family Learning, NIACE*
- Learning in the family and at school: parents', children's and teachers' views and the role of digital technologies.**  
**Workshop 3 and 8**  
*Lyndsay Grant, Researcher, Futurelab*
- Making Parent Voices Count**  
**Workshop 4 and 9**  
*Annette Wiles, Policy and Research Manager, National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations*
- All Parents want the best for their children**  
**Workshop 5 and 10**  
*Foufou Savitzky Head of Family Learning Division LLU+, London South Bank University*
- ✳ You can only attend one workshop from each of the morning and afternoon sessions

