

5x5x5=creativity

researching children researching the world

NEWSLETTER 2

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Welcome to the second issue of our newsletter and an opportunity to share with you our latest news including proposed research developments for 2008-2009 and information about upcoming events. Please tell your colleagues and networks about us if you think they might be interested - and direct them to our website www.5x5x5creativity.org.uk where they can sign up to our mailing list.

Creative Thinkers=Powerful Minds conference feedback

Michael Tippett Centre, Bath Spa University

The creativity conference on 3 July was a stimulating day that showcased a variety of creative initiatives for young people in the region. The themes of participation, personalisation, transforming practice and mass creativity were discussed and the delegates had opportunities to experience first-hand the inspiring work of local creative organisations through workshops and presentations. Feedback has been very positive and there are plans to hold a regular yearly creativity conference. Next summer, we are working in partnership with the egg theatre and Bath Festivals, on behalf of the cultural forum, to host an arts education conference – more details will follow. If you are interested in getting involved, please email info@5x5x5creativity.org.uk

A very big thank you to Niki McCretton for the wonderful preview of her new performance 'Horseplay'. For further details on Niki's work, current and forthcoming tours please check out her website: <http://www.nikimccretton.com>

Feedback from the conference delegates:

'An opportunity to listen to inspiring messages about embedding creativity and transforming practice, to then reflect on some of these messages in the light of my role and what my part might be'

'A view of the bigger picture of how implementation of creativity and critical thinking is moving forward. Feel more inspired that a cultural change could happen'

'A reinvigoration of my practice and affirmation of what I am doing day to day – thank you!'

Online exhibition showcasing 2007-2008 research November 2008

This year's research work is now available to see online at on our website www.5x5x5creativity.org.uk . Our annual evaluation report is also available to download from the website. All our publications and our '100 Voices' DVD are available to buy from our website or by contacting us on info@5x5x5creativity.org.uk

Book Offer – limited copies!

Researching Children Researching the World: 5x5x5=creativity

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We are offering our book 'Researching Children Researching the World' at the special price of £15.00 for a limited period to the end of December 2008. Please email julia@5x5x5creativity.org.uk to order a copy or download an order form from our website. Published by Trentham Books, the book considers the philosophical framework of 5x5x5=creativity based on valuing children as competent creative learners, the context and history of the approach, case studies and adults' and children's stories of transformative learning, the practical framework of the collaborative researchful practice and integrated working in partnerships.

Available from www.trentham-books.co.uk and all good bookshops: rrp £16.99

Professional development

We ran our first professional development session for new research participants on 24th November in Bath. The afternoon session offered an opportunity for those new to the research this year to get to know each other and to give an introduction to the philosophy of 5x5x5=creativity and the key concepts of the research. If you are interested in finding out more about 5x5x5=creativity professional development and bespoke programmes, please contact Penny Hay at penny@5x5x5creativity.org.uk

Tell us what you think!

We would love to have your feedback on this newsletter – what else would you like to hear about? If you have any 5x5x5 related news or events that you would like to highlight then please let us know. We also welcome your input and suggestions for our website so get in touch and tell us what you think info@5x5x5creativity.org.uk

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