

Newman Institute for Leadership in Education (NILE)
Seminar Series 2017 – School Leadership in Challenging Times

Pupil Premium – Shaking Up the Gap

Thursday 9th February 4.30pm - 6.30pm
at Newman University

Professor Liz Todd – Newcastle University

What challenges face school leaders in 2017? What can those responsible for school leadership do to support their schools in meeting those challenges? What can we learn from those who are involved in school leadership on a daily basis? What can academic research tell us about how schools can be transformed through the development of positive and inspirational forms of leadership?



Professor Liz Todd looks at what more needs to be done to support disadvantaged pupils. She will present her research findings in 3 areas: access to extra-curricular activities and relationship to attainment; the cost of the school day and stigmatizing poor pupils; and schools' use of pupil premium. Professor Todd will question whether it is possible to close the attainment gap and discuss alternative ways to think about a fair and equitable education.

Liz Todd is Professor of Educational Inclusion at Newcastle University. She is Deputy Director of the Centre for Social Renewal which forges partnerships between the university and external organisations in order to contribute to creative solutions to societal challenges. She is well known for her work on the interaction between communities and schools, the engagement of young people in development and research, and respectful democratic approaches to change (personal and organisational). Liz is also Deputy Director of SOLE Central and a member of the Research Centre for Learning and Teaching. One of her books, with Cummings and Dyson, *Beyond the school gates; can full service and extended schools overcome disadvantage?* was highly commended by the Society of Educational Studies in 2012. Her single authored book *Partnerships for inclusive education* was shortlisted for the NASEN/TES prize. She was Director of Educational Psychology training at Newcastle for over 12 years, launching the doctorate programme. Liz runs a number of current research projects with different creative teams. Several are using theory of change to evaluate complex initiatives involving schools and other institutions. Often abroad with work – in the coming months she will be working with several EU networks looking in Italy at refugee education and in Austria at disability in higher education.

Cost: There is NO charge for attending this seminar

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