

Minutes from BPC Year 4 Group Cluster Meeting

Year group: Year 4	Venue: South Walney Junior School
Date: 21 st March 2017	Lead teacher: Reece Edwards
<p>Issues:</p> <p>The group discussed what the provision looked like in each of their schools and then we looked at a few examples of these which schools had been using.</p> <p>ICT provision across the schools was varied in terms of resources available impacting on the way in which ICT could be utilised in the classroom. It was discussed that with school budgets likely to be cut in coming years, updating resources may not be possible. As a result, the focus switched to mainly free apps/websites which could be easily accessed and used by children.</p> <p>Even with lots of devices, some people explained that the Wi-Fi capacity within their schools did not always allow for lots of devices to be used at once.</p>	
<p>Actions from issues:</p> <p>Across the schools, we are using ICT to varying degrees, as our resources allow.</p> <p>South Walney teachers demonstrated how to use an interactive quiz app called 'Socrative'.</p> <p>Andy (Vickerstown) showed the group a website called 'Skoolbo'.</p> <p>Fern (Ormsgill) went through Showbie, an app which allows children to collect portfolios of work instead of printing out to stick into books.</p> <p>Other pieces of software were discussed and ideas shared.</p> <p>It seemed that all schools were accessing ICT to enhance learning as far as their resources would allow.</p>	
<p>CPD requirements:</p> <p>No CPD requirements at this time.</p>	
<p>What is working well in your year group?</p> <p>The meeting allowed us an opportunity to share good practise and ideas, looking at the benefits and potential barriers of embedding ICT into the curriculum.</p>	
<p>Questions for Head Teachers:</p> <p>None arising.</p>	
<p>Next meeting</p>	
Venue: Ormsgill Primary School	Focus: Writing Moderation (please bring 3 pieces of writing- working towards, expected & greater depth).
Date: 13 th June 2017	Lead Teacher: Fern Hayes