

Year 6 Cluster Group Meetings Minutes – Tuesday 21st March

Present:

Claire Miller – Yarlside
Emily Palmer – Cambridge
Louise Ellis – St Georges
Matthew Marshall – St Pius
Kerry Ward – Victoria Academy
Wendy Gillett – Victoria Academy
Jessica Corless – Ormsgill
Linda Capstick – St James
Jackie Rushton – St James
Natalie McKellar – South Walney

Key Dates:

- Next Cluster Group Meeting:
Tuesday 13th June – 4pm at Yarlside Academy

Apologies:

Emma Nixon – St Pauls
Lynn Foxen - Chetwynde
Michelle Banks – South Walney
Russ Brown – Vickerstown
Sharon Carter – Roose
Paul Alalouf – Barrow Island Primary

Preparing for the reading comprehension test

A variety of reading comprehension resources were shared that different teachers used including:
CGP
Ric Starters (which are a good warm-up and include video clips to demonstrate different types of questions)
Once Upon a Picture
Reading Explorers

Writing moderation again

Kerry shared her moderation training with everyone and explained / clarified some of the key information, for example, that evidence only needed to be seen at least once for each item on the assessment criteria. Greater depth had to demonstrate shifts in formality more than once in a piece of writing and Lancashire NGFL have clear information about this. Kerry has some hand-outs that will be sent out to everyone.

Strategies / resources for teaching spelling

Spelling resources were shared including Read, Write, Inc and CM gave out HFW spelling lists for each year group which are taken from a variety of sources.

Good revision resources for both classwork and homework

A variety of revision resources used in different schools were shared including:

CGP 10 minute tests for reading, G&P, spelling and maths

Maths CGP topic based activities for homework

Target your Maths

Ideas for simple but effective, time saving science activities

Ran out of time for this but Aleric Thompson from UVHS was mentioned for being extremely helpful for ideas and support in planning easy science investigations.

Suggested items for agenda for next meeting:

- Feedback from moderation
- Feedback from SATs
- Recent OFSTED inspections