

Philosophy for Children, Community and Colleges (P4C)

Level 1 Course (Two Days 8th and 9th July) for Stoke-on-Trent NQTs

Who: The course is designed for all NQTs who are due to start work in the city of Stoke-on-Trent in September 2019. This is an exciting opportunity to enable you to practise P4C in an educational setting. Completion of the course and facilitating 6 P4C sessions in your classroom will qualify you for a P4C Initial Practitioner certificate. We anticipate that the 6 sessions will take place in the 2019/20 academic year.

Cost: Free to all Stoke-on-Trent NQTs due to start work in city schools in September 2019. This includes lunch and refreshments but does not include any cover costs (Course fee for the two days is usually £210 and this is fully funded by the 'Bercow 10 Years On' initiative). We are very grateful for their generous support and more can be found at <https://www.bercow10yearson.com/>.

Course Dates and Venue: 8th and 9th July at The Teacher Education Bungalow, Keele University Campus, ST5 5BG. Joining details will be sent to you by 1st July at the latest, and by 31st May if you have booked a place by then.

Book your Place: Please book your place by following this link <https://knste-shaw.org.uk/p4c-level1-nqt/>. Bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis and we will run a waiting list. Bookings will close on 1st July if the course is not already fully booked. We encourage you and your schools to book as soon as you are appointed to your post – for which our congratulations.

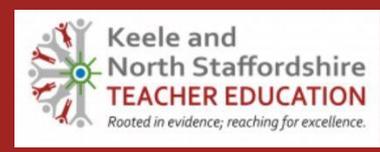
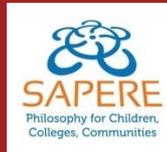
Trainers: Diane Swift and Neil Phillipson

This course will include:

- An introduction to the theory and practice of P4C
- Opportunities to experience philosophical enquiry first-hand
- Developing children's capacity to ask meaningful questions
- A framework for developing children's caring, collaborative, critical and creative thinking skills
- Connecting P4C with the curriculum

Delegates will:

- Gain certification at Level 1 from SAPERE (opening the way to progression to Levels 2 and 3)
- Develop the confidence to start practising P4C in the classroom
- Experience pedagogical approaches that can be applied to their wider practice
- Get a copy of SAPERE's comprehensive Level 1 Handbook
- One year of membership to SAPERE with individual log-in



Day 1: 8th July

- 8:45 Coffee and arrivals
9:00 Welcome and Introductions. What is P4C?
9:45 Enquiry 1: participating in a community of enquiry
10:45 BREAK
11:00 Reflection on the enquiry, further explanation of P4C
12:30 LUNCH
1:30 Working with philosophical questions
2:30 BREAK
2:45 Enquiry 2: developing a philosophical enquiry, focus on concepts and questions
3:45 Review of the day
4:00 Close of session

Day 2: 9th July

- 8:45 Arrivals and Coffee
9:00 P4C in the curriculum
P4C in practice: choosing stimuli and working with concepts
10:45 BREAK
11:00 Developing facilitation skills and evaluating progress
12:30 LUNCH
1:30 Enquiry 3: Picture & object stimuli please bring an object, image of book suitable as stimulus for enquiry)
2:30 BREAK
2:45 P4C and the whole school setting
Final review and next steps
4:00 Close of session

UK P4C Websites

<http://www.sapere.org.uk> (UK P4C membership, conferences, resources, more links)

<http://www.p4c.com> (online support and resources)

<http://www.thephilosophyman.com> (free resources)

International P4C Websites -<http://www.icpic.org>

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"The feedback from all sessions is very positive with many describing it as 'life changing'. Staff are enjoying the rigour of academic discussion themselves as much as seeing P4C as a way of working with children –just fantastic!"

Local Headteacher

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