



Spring 2012 Mathematics and Numeracy Cluster meetings for practitioners in the Learning and Skills Sector

Theme: From calculators to problems solvers: how can we help learners to meet the challenge of functionality in mathematics

DATES:

15th March 2012
ACER, St Ives, Cambs

16th March 2012
Southend Adult
Community College

21st March 2012
City College Norwich

TIMES:
09.30 – 15.30

COST:
£50 per delegate

If demand outstrips places we will only be able to accommodate a maximum of three teachers from each provider.

*A delegate comment:
“Good day again – a great opportunity to network and share resources & ideas”*

Content

At this one day event, we will be exploring how we can develop learners' ability to solve mathematical problems, and to evaluate and communicate their results, both important aspects of functional mathematics and the newest GCSE mathematics specification, through .

- Consideration of a variety of teaching methods
- Creative use of existing resources
- Effective lesson planning
- Exploration and sharing of existing and newer teaching resources and approaches

There will also be the usual "show and tell" session of participant recommended resources and teaching approaches.

Aims

- To identify the consequences for learning of current methods of teaching mathematics and numeracy
- To explore and evaluate resources and approaches which help learners to become effective problem solvers and successful functional mathematicians

- To enjoy doing some mathematics together
- To learn from each other.

Target Audience

- Mathematics/Numeracy Teachers working in; Further Education, Prisons, Adult and Community learning, Work-based learning and Private Training providers
- Vocational Tutors embedding Maths/Numeracy skills within their programme
- Learning Support Practitioners providing Maths/Numeracy support

Due to changes in funding we are no longer able to offer cluster meetings free of charge to participants. However we have been able to keep costs to a minimum thanks to the generosity of the providers in hosting the meeting free of charge, and by asking participants to bring their own lunch. We hope that you will find these arrangements acceptable. In view of the feedback we receive for these events we consider that the charge of £50.00 is good value for a full day training event.

To book your place at this event, please complete a booking form and return it to christine.stewart@acer.ac.uk. For more information about the event, contact Christine on 01480 468198 or visit our website - www.acer.ac.uk.