Educational Associates CPD Events.



Oracy Unlocked: a Practical Guide to Teaching and Learning through Speaking and Listening - created and led by Chris Quigley

High quality training for Senior Leaders, Head Teachers and Teachers.

Thursday 19th June 2025 Virtual Event 9.30am-3pm

Course Description:

Oracy —the ability to speak articulately with confidence and fluency—is one of the most essential yet overlooked disciplines in education today. While we place great emphasis on literacy and numeracy, oracy remains **the key to unlocking student potential.** Across all subjects. It is not just a tool for effective communication; it is a powerful driver of deeper learning, critical thinking and social mobility.

This course will cover:

Understanding Oracy:

Definition and components of oracy: physical, linguistic, cognitive and emotional.

The impact of oracy on academic success and personal development.

Overview of oracy development from early years to early secondary education.

Foundations of Oracy in the Classroom:

Setting up a supportive oracy environment; simple oracy activities: storytelling, show and tell, discussion circles; techniques for enhancing student engagement and participation.

Advance Oracy Techniques:

Debates, persuasive speeches and formal presentations; role-plays, drama techniques and hot-seating. Using technology to enhance oracy: podcasts, video blogs and digital storytelling.

Oracy across the Curriculum:

Integrating racy in all subjects through explanations and argumentation; enhancing literary studies; using oracy to explore perspectives and ethical debates.

Overcoming Challenges:

Overcoming reluctance and building confidence in shy or reluctant speakers.

Managing diverse ability levels and linguistic backgrounds.

Aligning oracy activities with curriculum standards and outcomes.

Integrating Oracy into classroom practice:

We will explore how this can transform student outcomes across the entire curriculum. From Art to Science, every subject benefits when students are given the opportunity to express, debate and build on ideas through structured talk. Research shows that strong speaking and listening skills are crucial for academic success, personal development and future employability.

Practical Strategies:

These will embed oracy into daily lessons, ensuring that every student has the chance to find their voice—whether through discussion, debate, presentation or collaborative learning.

Find Out About:

What makes effective talk; learning through talk and learning to talk; exploratory and presentational talk; developing rich, varied and appropriate vocabulary; how oracy improves students' metacognitive abilities; practical activities to infuse opportunities to develop oracy into every lesson.

Booking cost £150 + vat (No cancellation after 19th May 2025)

To book, please post or email the attached booking form to Educational Associates Ltd, 33 Kingfisher Crescent, Fulford, Stoke-on-Trent, ST11 9QE or Email-educonsultancyassociates@gmail.com Web-