

Language learning for future primary teachers at Strathclyde University

Following the success of the course organised for 4th year B.Ed students in March 2013, SCILT has offered another 3-day workshop for 2nd and 3rd year- B.Ed students. The event's aim is to support B.Ed students to ensure they are ready to play their part in delivering the new 1+2 languages policy.

The workshop that took place on 17, 18 and 19 September combined French language learning and pedagogy, with lots of practical, interactive and fun approaches to teaching languages. All skill areas were covered.



Students practised their talking and listening skills.



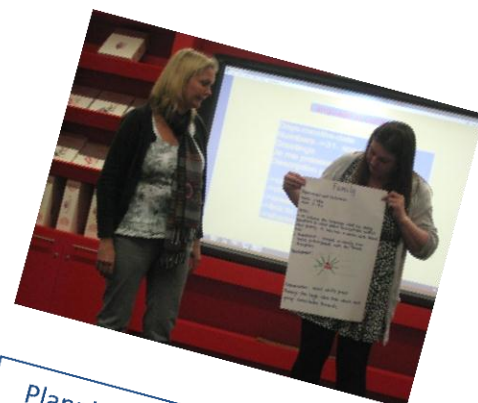
They used their creativity to make knowledge of language appealing.



Discovery of resources at the "marketplace".



Use of ICT and interdisciplinary activities to engage the learner.



Planning and sharing language in context.

Here are some of the comments taken from the attendees' evaluation...



It reinforced my own knowledge/ability in French – useful refresher. Very useful ideas and examples of pedagogical strategies. Interesting and easily accessible interactive resources shared/detailed.



I now feel more comfortable teaching French and now aware of how to use the interactive whiteboard and software.



I think the course was great. Everything was put into a context which was easy for us to learn but also easily transferrable to primary. I have learnt lots of new pedagogical techniques.



I have become very confident with basic French e.g. 1 – 100, weather and about me etc.
I am more aware of the pedagogy and methods of teaching modern languages.
I have found practical demonstrations useful.

