

Hosts Tania Lattanzio for Teachers' Workshop Saturday 20 May 2023



CONCEPTS IN ACTION: DEVELOPING LEARNING TO PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING, INQUIRY AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

Ecole Ruban Vert welcomes you to join us on Saturday 20 May 2023 to attend a workshop led by the internationally acclaimed Tania Lattanzio.

Schools joining the workshop have the option of a school-tailored consultation with Tania following the training to discuss implementation in their school context.

This will be Tania's first in person workshop in the Africa region since 2019, an opportunity to not be missed!

AIMED AT:

Teachers of all levels and sections with a focus on conceptual understanding, inquiry, transfer of knowledge and connecting learning to students.

DATE AND PLACE:

ERV's campus on Saturday 20 May 2023 from 09:00 to 16:00, with provision for refreshments and lunch.

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In this workshop participants will be active meaning makers as they:

- Understand why we need to move from teaching content only to focussing learning on concepts
- Understand the difference between facts/topics and concepts
- Consider where concepts already live in their curriculum and teaching and learning
- Examine the role of transfer in conceptual learning
- Consider what is worth learning
- Are provided with a process for how to develop units of learning that are conceptually driven and promote student inquiry
- Examine the role of curiosity and how we can promote curiosity through the use of provocations
- Consider the conceptual inquiry process and what this means for learners
- Examine learning engagements that promote conceptual understanding and inquiry

Costs for the workshop are:

- \$300 for individual participant for the 1-day workshop
- \$250 for participant as part of an AISA school attending
- e-visa to Gabon: \$90 (easy to obtain online)

For schools travelling to Gabon, ERV support with:

- Recommendation for hotel accommodation near the school
- Travel to and from airport
- Travel to and from school on Saturday 20 May



WORKSHOP LEADER BIOGRAPHY: TANIA LATTANZIO

Tania Lattanzio is an author and renowned international educator. Previously a teacher, coordinator, and manager with the International Baccalaureate, she is now Director of Innovative Global Education. Innovative Global Education has been established for over 11 years and in this time, Tania has worked as an educational consultant globally, in both local and international educational settings.

This role involves developing and conducting professional learning for teachers and leadership, modelling pedagogy in classrooms, and working intensively with teaching teams, through mentoring and coaching, to improve planning, teaching and assessment. A key focus of Tania's work is developing and designing conceptual curriculum for schools, this work involves conceptualising curriculum across subject areas and year levels. This also involves equipping teachers with ideas and strategies to ensure that learning has a conceptual focus.

An advocate of inquiry, she works with educators to provide students with an education that is purposeful, meaningful, and relevant to their lives, where students have opportunities to be motivated and have agency and control of their learning. Tania has worked with schools and teachers from early childhood through to high school.

Tania believes in the importance of building relationships. No two schools are the same so tailoring professional learning to meet the specific needs of educators and schools is key to the success of her work. Tania has worked extensively in both online and face to face situations and collaborates with educational institutions to organise professional learning that best meets the institutions' individual needs.

Publications:

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