

The Associate Educational Fellowship

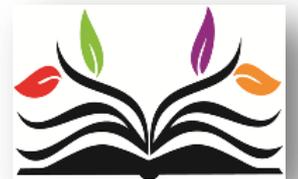


Tuesday 26th April 2016

Associate Educational Fellowship



The AEFP Forum



Six aims:

- 1. Set out a rationale for it
- 2. Launch it
- 3. Encourage all of you to write for it
- 4. Support you
- 5. Make plea
- 6. Consider next steps



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Why?



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So: why don't we - as thinking practitioners - speak out and write about education ourselves?

(Or if you do, why don't we know about it!?)



Encourage you to write for it!

The AEFPP Forum will go live on 1st June!



Support You!

Forum Guidelines – or ‘How to make your writing more readable’ (e.g.):

- have something interesting to say and say it as simply as you can;
- prefer - in the main - shorter, Anglo Saxon words as they are more readily understood - but variety and clarity are everything;
- if you can cut a word, cut it;
- avoid clichés (like the plague!);
- in your introductory paragraph, give an overview of the whole piece;
- use subheadings to break your piece into smaller sections and use bullets for lists where possible;
- provide relief from solid blocks of text with pictures, diagrams, images, tables or just ‘white space’;
- avoid copious footnotes and references;
- in your conclusion spell out the practical implications of your work and make recommendations where you can.
- Above all draft and redraft and redraft your work as you make the journey from ‘getting all of your ideas down’ to ‘creating a coherent structure’ to ‘making it as readable as possible’.



A Plea!

Is there anybody who would volunteer to join a
'AEFP Forum – Peer Review Group'

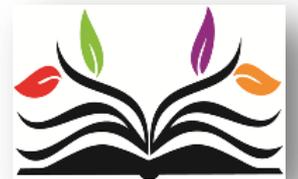
To 'support' budding writers by:

- Proof reading pieces
- Giving feedback based on the guidelines
- Giving personal responses to the pieces
(and learning masses in the process!!)?



Next Steps

- You will all get writing!
- The draft 'Forum' guidelines will go out to new Peer Review Group for comment and amendment.
- The guidelines will be sent out to the Fellowship
- You will send your pieces to Lisa and she will send them to a member of the 'Peer Review Group'
- The first pieces will be posted on 1st June! (with a facility at the end to begin a dialogue)



Happy Writing!

Together let's create an exciting 'practitioner space' for the vibrant exchange of ideas on education and how we can improve it!

(Including what it means to
'improve education'!)

