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Seminar Series

## Bringing together education and the community: strategic and practical approaches to schools addressing partnership

Dr Andrew Williams (Executive Headteacher, Holmfirth High School and North Huddersfield Trust School) and Tracey Morgan (Learning Mentor at Fitzwilliam Primary School, Wakefield)

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2012, 5.30 – 7.30pm

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## Synopses:

Dr Andrew Williams will review how the leadership teams of the two high schools he manages take a much broader approach to the pupils, their families and the local community when compared with many other schools. Pupil learning is contextualised within a broader understanding than the learning that takes place in the classroom. He will draw out the key themes that underpin this type of approach to education.

Tracey Morgan's session will look at the Learning Journeys project which she is involved in coordinating at Fitzwilliam Primary School in Wakefield. The project was developed in conjunction with Aimhigher Wakefield, the University of Leeds and the Workers Educational Association with the aim of raising the aspirations of parents and their children and highlighting the advantages for both of continuing in further learning. The strategic intent of the model will be explained briefly but the application will be discussed at length, including how Learning Journeys could act as a possible model for similar projects in the future.

## Biographies:

### **Dr Andrew Williams**

Andy Williams is originally from Lincolnshire. Having completed his first degree at the University of Hull he undertook a Ph.D in Organophosphorus Chemistry. Following a varied teaching career working in three different parts of the country, he became Head Teacher at Holmfirth High School in 2000. Holmfirth High School has been graded outstanding by Ofsted since 2007 and in 2008 Andy became a National Leader of Education and later took on an Executive Head Teacher role across both Holmfirth High School and North Huddersfield Trust School.

### **Tracey Morgan**

Having completed a three-year Foundation Degree in Child and Family Studies at the Lifelong Learning Centre, University of Leeds, Tracey Morgan is now in the first year of a BA Child and Family Studies top-up degree at the same institution. She has worked as a Learning Mentor at Fitzwilliam Primary School in Wakefield for seven years and has played a key role in the development and implementation of the Learning Journeys project.

## Venue:

Centenary Gallery  
Parkinson Building  
University of Leeds  
Leeds  
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**There will be an opportunity to network over refreshments from 5.00pm.**

## Interested?

This seminar is **FREE** to attend and open to anyone with an interest in this topic—however, in order to help us organise refreshments we would be grateful if you could book a place by contacting Georgina Collins on 0113 343 6892 / [g.collins@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:g.collins@leeds.ac.uk).