

# 14-19 SKILLS BULLETIN

**INDEPENDENT**

LITERACY, NUMERACY, ICT, FUNCTIONAL SKILLS, DIPLOMAS AND PERSONAL LEARNING SKILLS

## A NEW independent professional bulletin

### Understanding the new 14-19 learning and skills agenda

A revolution is happening in education at 14-19 in schools and colleges, with the introduction of:

- Functional skills in English, maths and ICT to ensure that all learners master the basics
- New Diplomas in applied vocational learning
- Personal learning and thinking skills

The Diplomas aim to give learners a high quality alternative to traditional GCSEs and A Levels, and Functional Skills seek to equip them with excellent communication, maths and ICT skills.

“ Diplomas are the most important educational reforms in the last 40 years ”

### An independent forum for debate and discussion

- How can schools and colleges meet young people's needs for numeracy and communication skills?
- How can you deliver up to date vocational skills which equip young people for the world of work?
- How can schools, colleges and local authorities work in partnership to deliver best quality 14-19 provision?
- What are the lessons of the pilots in Functional Skills and Diplomas?

### Ensure that you know about the new developments

**14-19 Skills Bulletin** is an independent professional newsletter. Published 3 times a year, each issue contains a mix of news, analysis, practical information and debate.

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- Analysis of latest developments
- Examples of good practice in schools and colleges
- Detailed reports on Functional Skills, Diplomas and Personal Learning and Thinking Skills
- Models of partnership delivery
- Implications of pilot trials and research
- Issues for teaching and learning

### Contributions from leading practitioners

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Weathering the demands of the Diplomas – *Alison Hardy, Tresham Institute*

Diplomas are taking shape – *Jim Knight MP, Minister for Schools*

The Knowsley Collegiate Functional Skills Pilot – *Gina O'Rourke, Knowsley Collegiate*

Developing and accrediting Personal Learning and Thinking Skills – *Brian Hobbs, ASDAN*

Diploma and Functional Skills Support Programmes

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