School: OLSP

Raising Attainment Update January 2013

Actions to date:

- Points for action in light of SQA performance agreed.
- Staff briefings
- Broad principles shared with pupils more focused with staff
- Two key departments identified Biology and Social Studies
- Focus on Learning Workshops held in October:
- Recall and retention
- Extended Writing Skills
- Creative Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Programme of tracking/mentoring of pupil progress started
- STARs have target group of pupils.
- All departments represented at October workshops.
- Presentation/workshop delivered to parents of senior students in Nov 2012
- Promotion of OLSP as a Rights Respecting School as a means of furthering a positive school ethos.
- RRSA inset with Eddie Burke (UNICEF) at OLSP
- CPD RRSA at Braehead P.S.
- RRSA Open Day
- Programme of SMT 'Sharing of Good Practice' visits.
- Parents given opportunities to be involved in their child's education and strengthen home school partnerships.

Impact:

- Increased and improved sharing of good practice among and between departments
- Points of action identified and agreed
- Focus on raising standards
- Effective tracking of progress recognising achievements.
- Barriers to learning are being effectively addressed.
- Support mechanisms are in place to meet the needs of all pupils.
- Pupils are being actively challenged to engage in independent and creative thinking
- Parents are fully engaged in supporting their child's learning and development.
- Parents are positive in their views of the quality of education being provided.

- Parents are fully informed of educational developments.
- Improved ethos of achievement.
- Increased positive expectations, work ethic and a climate of achievement.
- All departments engaged in tailoring learning experiences to link with developing the four capacities.
- Survey findings highlight issues to be addressed but overall a very positive picture of school and quality of education provision.

Next Steps:

- Implement agreed points for action.
- BtC5 QA and Moderation in Higher History INSET by John Kerr scheduled for Feb 2012 open to all WDC teachers of History.
- Focused emphasis on departmental monitoring mechanisms, strategies to raise pupil attendance and effectiveness of early warning mechanisms.
- Review of quality and regularity of personal contact
- Further develop student study skills support: whole school and departmental.
- Follow up presentations post prelims.
- Further promote OLSP as a Rights Respecting School as a means of furthering a positive school ethos.
- Continue on route to Level 1 of UNICEF RRSA
- Further RRSA inset with Eddie Burke (UNICEF) at OLSP planned.
- Agreed points of action and areas of focus.
- Continue to refine opportunities for parents to be involved in their child's education and strengthen home school partnerships.