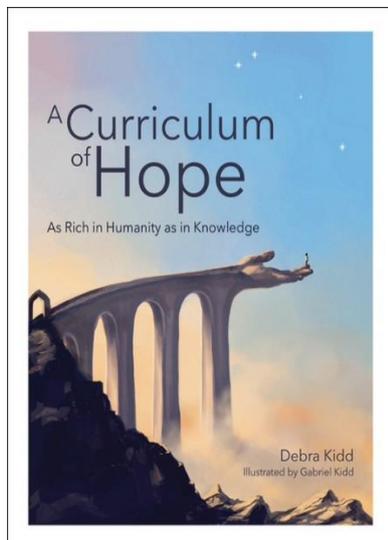


Stockport Primary Deputy and Assistant HT Conference.

Friday 6th November. Bredbury Hall. 0830-1530.

£60 (with Stockport SLA) £100 (Guests). Includes restaurant lunch.



After consulting with a number of experienced DHT/AHTs, the School Improvement Team are delighted to announce that we have secured Dr Debra Kidd to lead our annual conference.

Debra is a highly experienced and much respected national and international educational thinker. Her work on curriculum design is both outstanding and distinctive. It has had a huge impact on individual leaders and teachers, but most of all, Debra's creativity and deep commitment to the lived experience of children has led to not only an exciting and engaging curriculum offer, but even more importantly, happy, excited children who love their learning and love coming to school!

If schools were gardens, which would you choose?

1. Everything is meticulously plotted in neat rows. Each plant has a common purpose, to produce the same crop on the same day each year. Only Government approved plants are grown and any seedlings that don't fit the desired purpose are weeded out. Netting is placed over all the plants to keep any birds or pollinators away

2. The garden is left entirely alone in the hope that it will blossom into a wildlife meadow that will attract bees and butterflies. In reality, it is so full of brambles and knotweed that no gardener could enter without protective clothing

3. The garden has multiple functions. It is a garden of remembrance, but also carefully planted to support the future. Some weeds are encouraged because they bloom early and provide vital nectar for bees. Among the statues and benches are plants that sustain other life forms, plants that make us happy, plants that heal us and plants that are rich in myths and stories. Our garden is a communal space. There are places to sit, to shelter and places to admire the wildlife and artwork that fills our garden. We share it, grow it and nurture it together and when we are struggling we call in others to help us maintain and protect it.



Debra Kidd. Adapted from A Curriculum of Hope.

This is very early warning, but we will be opening up this event beyond Stockport after the Easter Break. So please, SECURE YOUR PLACE NOW!

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