Effective teaching for Aboriginal Languages in western NSW
Tues 5 & Wed 6 August 2008 (Term 3, Week 3)
hosted by the NSW DET Regional Aboriginal Education Team (RAET)
Aboriginal Knowledge Centre, Arthur Street, Dubbo

Agenda

Day 1

8.45  Workshop registration – packages and nametags

9.00  Welcome to Country – Diane McNaboe

9.10  Workshop opening and setting the scene – Allan Hall and Kevin Lowe

9.30  Introductions from each school – current programs and next steps
facilitated by Susan Poetsch and Tyson Yunkaporta

10.00  Morning tea

10.15  Aboriginal Ways of Knowing & Quality Teaching – Tyson Yunkaporta

11.15  Quality Teaching for Aboriginal Languages Programs – Mari Rhydwen

11.45  Quality Teaching SIPA research findings – James Ladwig and Wendy Amosa

12.15  Lunch

1.00  Syllabus Quiz

1.15  Programs and Language lessons
  • Dubbo College – Ashlee Miller and Diane McNaboe
  • Bourke High School – Clancy McKellar and Berdine Warne
  • Brewarrina Central School – Margaret Nicholls and Sonia Dalla Vecchia

2.15  Programming think-pair-share

2.30  Choice of 2 sessions:
  • QT research project chat – James Ladwig, Wendy Amosa, Kevin Lowe
  • Resource ideas display and exchange

3.30  close
Day 2

Please arrive at 8.30am / 8.45am for a prompt start at 9am.

9.00 Development of an on-line resource for Stage 4 Aboriginal languages programs
Mari Rhydwen and Amanda Oppliger

9.30 Programs and Language lessons
- Wilcannia Central School – Murray Butcher and Heather Templeman
- Parkes High School – Geoff Anderson, Steve Maier, Esther Job
- Parkes East Public School and Parkes Public School – Ron Wardrop, Angela Fitzpatrick and Lionel Lovett

10.30 Introduction to Assessment
- Presentation and discussion – facilitated by Susan Poetsch and Kevin Lowe

11.15 Morning tea

11.30 Quality Teaching observations from this workshop – James Ladwig
- classroom practice
- units of work
- assessment

12.00 Discussion to develop the QT research project outline
James Ladwig and Kevin Lowe
- role of University of Newcastle and Board of Studies
- role of the Aboriginal languages teachers and the schools
- timeframe and proposed structure of the research project
- how we would work together for the benefit of Aboriginal languages programs.

12.30 Lunch

1.15 Workshop evaluation

1.30 Advice and feedback from workshop participants
Where to next for Aboriginal languages programs in western NSW?
Round table discussion facilitated by Regional Aboriginal Education Team

2.30 Close