



Sat 11th November 2023



Hybrid Conference (online and Marino Institute of Education)



Being, Becoming and Beyond:

SPHE in Children and Young People's Lives





Wellbeing at the Centre of Being, Becoming and Beyond





Developing a Positive School Culture and Climate



Relationships, Sexuality and Identity





Leadership, Policy and Stakeholder **Engagement**







SPHE in the Wider **Curriculum Context**



Children and Young People at the Heart of Learning





Care and Consent







8.30 - 11.00 **Morning Session**

8.30 - 9.30 • Arbutus

Fruit, Refreshments and Registration



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9.30 - 9.45 **♥** Walnut

Welcome and Introduction

Dr Barry Morrissey Chairperson, SPHE Network **Prof Teresa O'Doherty** President, MIE

Keynote 1

Colm O'Gorman Human Rights Activist and Founder of One in Four

10:30 - 11.00 **♀** Arbutus

Break





11.00 - 12.30 **Delegate's Choice**







Parallel Paper Session A:

Wellbeing at the Centre of Being, Becoming and Beyond

- 'Being and becoming comfortable with addressing difference: Supporting teachers to normalise and affirm children's diverse identities through SPHE' **Dr Anne Marie Kavanagh** Dublin City University
- 'Wellbeing in education: Its potential to support Children's Being and Becoming'
 - Dr Fionnuala Tynan & Dr Margaret Nohilly Mary Immaculate College
- 'Well-being in a climate crisis: Understanding current well-being and possibilities for 'well-becoming' and beyond through education' **Dr Ashling Bourke** Dublin City University
- 'Teachers' experiences of working with a bereaved child in the primary classroom, with an exploration into teacher-reported supports and strategies' Rebecca Conlon, Hannah Dolan & Feargal Ó Laighin Marino Institute of Education

Option 2

♀ Room 5







Parallel Paper Session B:

Relationships, Sexuality and Identity

- 'Sexuality education: A study exploring the use of participatory exercises in aiding young people's understanding of the complexities of sexual wellbeing and relationships'
 - **Ellen Corby** Queen Margaret University Edinburgh
- 'Silence and sexuality: An exploration of RSE provision in the Irish primary sector'
 - Dr Suzanne O'Keefe & Dr Patricia Kennon Maynooth University
- 'Autistic and gender diverse: Belonging and flourishing at school' Maggie Green ATU Donegal
- 'Putting some 'SASS' into LGBTQ+ inclusive practices and wellbeing promotion in post-primary schools' **Dr Seline Keating & Sharon Heron** Dublin City University

Option 3 • Room 4



Workshop Session A:

A Selection of Strategies, Approaches and Methodologies

'SPHE agus an Ghaeilge: Practical strategies to aid primary school teachers in utilising CLIL in their SPHE lessons'

Feargal Ó Laighin Marino Institute of Education

'Get Set! - Using alternative methodologies to create age-appropriate, effective, shame-free and fun sexuality education'

Kelly O'Doherty Dublin City University & **Ellen Corby** Queen Margaret University Edinburgh, Sexuality Educators

Option 4

♀ Room 6



Workshop Session B:

Developing a Positive School Culture and Climate

- 'Restorative Practice' **Dr Gerard Farrelly** Mary Immaculate College
- 'Gratitude practice as a boost for teacher wellbeing' Mary Jo Kennedy Mary Immaculate College

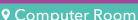


Teachers Sharing Practice Sessions (in lieu of TeachMeet)

- 'Enhancing body Image and self-esteem: Integrating the 'Dove Confident Me' resource into the SPHE curriculum at both primary and post primary level' **Suzanne Graham** Dublin and Dun Laoghaire ETB
- 'Chess for social & cognitive skills' Liam Murray, Lucy Bradfield & Damien Fallon Ficheall
- The A Lust for Life primary school mental health education programme and its integration with the SPHE curriculum' **Leda Connaughton & Fiona Maguire** Lust for Life

Lunch





2.00 - 3.30 **Delegate's Choice**





Parallel Paper Session C:

Leadership, Policy and Stakeholder Engagement

- 'The Nuts+Bolts of being, becoming and beyond: Using a reflective framework to evaluate a school's anti-bullying measures' **Dr Seline Keating** Dublin City University
- 'Being the DLP! Their mandated reporting experiences in Irish primary schools' Dr Mia Treacy & Dr Margaret Nohilly Mary Immaculate College
- 'Maintaining the silence: The school leadership response to homophobic bullying in the 10 years of the anti-bullying procedures' **Dr Gerard Farrelly** Mary Immaculate College
- 'Practical strategies for building parent engagement and communication in SPHE: Fostering collaborative partnerships for effective implementation' Paul Knox Dublin City University

Option 2 Room 5







Parallel Paper Session D:

SPHE in the Wider Curriculum Context

- "Being Well"- The place of spirituality in developing a sense of meaning in life for children in the primary school curriculum' **Dr Maurice Harmon** Mary Immaculate College
- 'Shifting and changing practice: Lessons learned from an arts-based narrative inquiry with primary school children and their experiences of a social-emotional and academic learning programme' Dr John Meegan Hibernia College
- "Just let them have a say!" Students' perspective of student voice pedagogies in primary physical education" Grace Cardiff Mary Immaculate College
- 'Enhancing Emotional Regulation through Dance: The intersection of SPHE and PE'
 - Bronagh McGeary & Dr Fionnuala Tynan Mary Immaculate College



Workshop Session C:

Children and Young People at the Heart of Learning

- 'Engaging our pupils as active citizens' **Dr Brighid Golden** Mary Immaculate College
- 'Understandings of relationships and sexuality education provision for children with moderate general learning disabilities in Ireland' **Dr Audrey Johnston** St Nicholas Montessori College

Option 4 Room 4



Workshop Session D:

Care and Consent

- 'How do school leaders and teachers promote the well-being of care-experienced children and young people and how can SPHE help?' Tara Madden Empowering People in Care
- 'I have to talk to young people about what?!: Preparing SPHE teachers for consent education'

The Consent Ed Project Team, Carolyn Brohan, Sianna Williams, Cathy Browne, & Amy Crane Tusla & Galway Rape Crisis Centre

3.30 - 4.15 ♥ Walnut

Keynote 2





Children, being and becoming in an age of chaos: What now for education?

Prof Fionnuala Waldron Professor Emerita DCU, Cregan Professor of Education and the Centre for Human Rights and Citizenship Education

4:15 - 4.30 ♥ Walnut

Conference Conclusion

Dr Barry Morrissey Chairperson, SPHE Network





