

Leading Learning from the Middle

Facilitator: Karen Ardley, Lead Consultant, Karen Ardley Associates

A four-day programme for aspiring or middle managers currently responsible for co-ordinating or managing a subject or aspect of school provision (eg. Subject, SENCO, Faculty, Assessment, Key Stage, Year Group etc).

This Masters accredited programme provides the opportunity for middle managers to improve their leadership behaviours and develop the skills required to make real changes to standards in their area of responsibility. Previous Participants have found the programme inspirational and life changing. Some schools use the programme to develop all their middle leaders in turn. Many schools use this professional development opportunity for groups of middle managers, sending three or four participants together to a programme.

Course Objectives:

- To deepen middle managers' understanding of themselves and their leadership behaviours
- To extend middle managers' knowledge and understanding about leadership
- To develop leadership skills

The programme will focus on the following key areas:

- The role of the middle leader/manager
- The current educational agenda
- An emotionally intelligent leader
- Effective professional development
- Working with teams
- Giving feedback
- Coaching for improvement
- Improving teaching and learning in your area
- Presentation skills