

SCHOOLS OUT

Schools OUT has been granted an opportunity to produce a web based one-stop-shop of LGBT related lesson plans – current and new - and resources for teachers and lecturers for all the key stages to use with their students. This will help them to source and use what is new and what is already up and working.

This initiative is financed by the Training and Development Agency for Schools. Funding is secure and the project will definitely go ahead. We aim to have some material ready for LGBT History Month on the Schools OUT website - February 2011. The Department for Education, the National Union of Teachers, the National Association of Schoolmasters and Women Teachers and the Association of Teachers and Lecturers, UNISON and other stakeholders have been informed and are all supportive.

This work will also complement the work – also funded by the TDA – on Initial Teacher Training on LGB issues that is being carried out by Stonewall.

We will catalogue resources for LGBT issues in education and grade them, so that practitioners can find them and use them as quickly, efficiently and effectively as possible.

This is a hefty research task and we are asking you to help us by :
providing us with links, signposts and documentation of any materials you and you organisations have

or that you have used

or written yourselves

which you are happy to share that will support teaching people about LGBT issues.

These may include:-

Policies

- Lesson plans
- Lesson suggestions
- Assembly plans
- Guidance

Other resources such as DVD's

If you have any of the above and you wish them to be on our one-stop-shop, please make us aware of them by email, snail mail or phone.

This will be the first comprehensive resource for practitioners from KS 1-5 and at every age level to access materials that will enable them to promote LGBT people and LGBT rights in education. The resource will accompany a range of brand new National Curriculum and Ofsted friendly lesson plans prepared by practising teachers. There will be an interactive area for teachers to communicate their views and share ideas on the material. Our key aim is to eradicate homophobia and transphobia in our educational institutions in the short term. To that end we need a vast and effective range of materials that everyone feels confident in selecting and using.

We thank you in anticipation of your help and support. Our contact details are below.

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