



EVERGREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
23rd March 2012

**EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT
LEARNING BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK**

Outcomes for the day:

- **A clearer picture of what learning is**
- **A clearer picture of you as a learner, including your strengths and weaknesses**
- **A bank of ideas to promote learning in your classroom**
- **A clear understanding of the value of reflection and how to facilitate it in your classroom**
- **A range of strategies to motivate the learners in your class**

Outline of the Day:

9:00-9:15 Introduction – Why Learning? Why now?
Where are you as a Learner?

9:15-10:00 Principles of Good Learning

- Physiology of the brain
- Mistakes and comfort zones
- Models of learning
- Performance vs. effort
- Keeping it active
- VAK and multiple intelligences

10:00-10:45 How to make your classroom more learner centred

- physiological needs
- rituals and routines
- keeping it active
- learning displays
- connecting the learning

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15- 12:15 Reflection as a learning tool

12:15- 1:15 Lunch

1:15- 3:00 The Keys to Motivation

- back to the brain
- creating flow
- questioning
- choice
- brain gym
- teaching to the whole cake
- self-esteem
- reflection/review
- beliefs

3:00- 3:30 Plenary – what will I take away that will make a difference to my class tomorrow?