

Arc Teachers Forum Minutes

22nd March 2006

Apologies

Mick Dunne

Attendees

Belinda Cunningham

Carmen Thompson

Kevin Bailey

Kevin Parker

Neil Walker

Rebecca Jenkins

1 Minutes of Previous Meeting

1.1 Minutes were signed as a correct matter of record

2 Matters Arising

2.1 Transport – 2.1

Norton School did once own a school coach but had to sell it because it was costing rather than saving money.

2.2 Professional Development – 2.3

CT has organised for a Professional Development Placement Day in Technical Theatre to take place at Arc on the 19th June from 9.30 am – 3 pm. This will involve a tour of Arc and facilities and an intensive hands on introduction to technical theatre. No previous experience is required. The training day is free and is funded by learn2work and the LSDA. The school / college must however deliver vocational learning courses. We have a limited number of places. In addition to this we are also funding a PDP day for Applied Arts Teachers on how to put together an exhibition, this is also free and lunch will be provided.

2.3 Arts Careers Day – 2.5

CT has organised an arts careers day with Laura Langridge, to be held on the 5th July from 10am until 3pm. The focus of the day will be on careers in all aspects of the arts, gaining advice on careers pathways. For further details on this event please contact Carmen Thompson directly.

3 **Advertising in Schools – 4**

3.1 CT distributed Arc promotion material to all teachers who attended the forum. Can any teachers who did not attend please contact CT. Teachers will put up information around school and in registers.

4 **Programming – 5**

4.1 The method for requesting and subsequently booking shows needs to be more streamlined and a firmer commitment needs to be in place from schools. In the past Arc has booked shows in response to requests, but unfortunately some schools have not been able to attend the shows they requested. In future all school needs and limitations need to be made clear so that performances do not go unseen. **CT will ask your input at the next meeting on the development of a show year planner**, this will cover the best times of year to put on certain types of show, the best times for ATF to take place and other relevant school information we need to consider for projects involving schools.

4.2 Trestle – KP would like to book this theatre company for the autumn, please let us know if you can commit to this show.

6 **Drama Festival and Master Classes**

6.1 KP to put together a plan for drama master classes with prospective deliverers to present to ATF. Include a teachers' option and a student option