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Networking Sessions

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A 30 minute virtual session to meet the Challenging Education team and find out more information about the Professional Learning Programme

Network Session One: Learned Helplessness (Introduction to the resources and getting to know your learners)

Settling In. This session take you through the available resources and some top tips, ideas on getting to know your pupils and making sure that settling your most disadvantaged learners in to school includes sharing your high expectations.

Network Session Two: An equity mindset (Equity-based ethos)

An equity-based ethos. The sessions in this module will develop your thinking around an equitable approach to many aspects of education and remind us all of the challenges our most disadvantaged learners face.

Network Session Three: Assessing equitably

We hope you start by watching the discussion with Roy Leighton, building on from 'Simon's story' in Module 1. There's a great discussion with primary and secondary leaders on equitable assessment.

Network Session Four: Hard to reach schools

It's a deliberately provocative title for a module packed full of great ideas for better engagement with parents, the community and of course learners and it starts with an inspiring case study from The John Frost School...

Network Session Five: Moving on, moving up

This session will get you thinking about the many guises of transition and how we can help our most disadvantaged learners to cope. With case studies and conversations with special guests, it's packed full of research as well as very practical ideas.

Network Session Six: Taking the REINS (reflection, evaluation, impact, next steps)

This session is all about reflection, evaluation, impact and next steps... or 'taking the REINS' as we've called it. In this module we take a wide-ranging look at REINS for learners and staff and a special guest appearance from Mark Finnis which we know you're going to love.

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