

# Teacher Aide One Day Workshop Supporting Young Writers (P-9)

## CONTENT OVERVIEW

This day specifically focuses on supporting Teacher Aides to understand all aspects of the writing process and the authorial and secretarial roles of the writer. Participants study the generic structure, purpose and language features of various text types in order to be able to more fully support the students with their writing. Planning proformas for each text type are used as a scaffold for the students but also to support the participants in their role when working with developing writers. A continuum of support and strategies are discussed for supporting reluctant writers.

### Features of Various Text Types:

- A practical 'hands on' approach to understanding the purpose, structure and language features of the various text types.
- Discovering the variety of text types and their many forms.

### Understanding Writing:

Teacher aides will be introduced to the aspects of the writing process and the secretarial and authorial roles of the writer.

- Planning for Writing - Supporting students to plan their writing. Considering purpose, audience and text type. Using planning proformas to support struggling writers.
- Composing - Supporting students with composing through conversation, clarification of thoughts, ideas and demonstration.
- Revising - supporting students to improve and enhance the clarity and fluency of text to meet the intended purpose. Understanding revising is authorial and secretarial and linking this to conferencing students work.
- Recording - Supporting students with correct spelling and grammar choices.
- Publishing - Discussions re - presentation and considering needs of the audience.

### Supporting Reluctant Writers:

- A continuum of support for working with writers either one on one or in small groups.
- Teacher aides will be introduced to modelled, shared and interactive writing and the necessity for a different approach depending on the needs of the students.
- Strategies/ideas for engaging writers.

### Punctuation:

Supporting the Teacher Aides to improve their understandings of the conventions for using punctuation correctly to enhance their conferencing ability.

**For workshop dates, times, costs & locations please refer to the event schedule on our website.**