MEMORANDUM TO:
Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, SGOD and CID
School Heads/ Director/s, Elementary Schools
Public and Private Schools

INVITATION FOR SYMPOSIUM ON WORLD TEACHERS DAY SPECIAL

Attached is an Invitation from Mr. Victor Lim, Rethasia.com, dated September 24, 2019 entitled: "JUMPSTART: Early Years Leadership Symposium", contents of which are self-explanatory for the information and guidance of all concerned.

Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Maka-Diyos, Makatao, Makalikasan at Makabansa
JUMPSTART: 
Early Years 
Leadership Symposium 
5th October 2019 
Saturday 
Miriam College, 
Manila, Philippines 
World Teachers’ Day Special

DR CLAIRE WARDEN
Multiple Award Winning 
Global Educational Strategist in 
Nature Pedagogy & Leadership 
In Early Childhood

https://rethasia.com/jumpstart

Claire Warden is an educational consultant who has developed her approach to nature pedagogy and experiential learning through a variety of experiences. Her experiences have taken her on a pathway that includes working in a variety of types of centres; advisory work, and lecturing in further education. Claire is currently based in Scotland but frequently travels to Australia, the United States and other parts of the world.

As a lecturer in Primary Education at Strathclyde University, the development of training strategies and course creation have been applied to the dynamic and creative work currently undertaken by the company she first started, ‘Mindstretchers Ltd’. It has now grown to develop many aspects, including Claire’s own company, ‘Claire Warden Ltd’, through which Claire does her international and consultancy work, and her Community Interest Company, ‘Living Classrooms’, through which many community focussed projects have been delivered and which is now at the centre of the new International Association of Nature Pedagogy.

Claire is an author of many books and materials relating to early years methodology. These include ‘The Potential of a Puddle’, which details UK national vision and values for outdoor play; ‘Talking and Thinking Floorbooks’, which presents the planning methodology that supports consultation and democracy in early education; ‘The Right to be Me’, which explores the rights of young children to high quality provision and ‘Nurture through Nature’, which explores working with children under three outside. ‘Nature Kindergartens and Forest Schools’ explores children’s connection to nature and naturalistic spaces such as forest schools, forest kindergartens, woodland camps, nature kindergartens. Claire’s latest book, Learning With Nature – Embedding Outdoor Practice, which is published by Sage, has been very well received and is rapidly gaining a place as required reading on many academic education courses.

She is also closely involved with her own nature kindergarten, Auchione Nature Kindergarten, in Perth and Kinross in Scotland. This outdoor nursery works with children from 2-5 yrs old, who spend up to 90% of their time outside. The three spaces of ‘inside’, ‘outside’ and ‘beyond’ are mindfully linked so as to develop skills and confidence in a predominantly natural environment. Mindstretchers continues to work
closely with Local Authorities to support all aspects of education from 0-11 years. Claire has written courses to meet the needs in home based environments such as childminders and shared day care spaces such as playgroups.

She is one of a leadership group of consultants who make up the World Nature Collaborative, a working party of the World Forum Foundation. The purpose of the group is to develop a cohesive network and approach to experiential learning in outdoor spaces in a variety of climates. The nature collaborative brings together educators, landscape architects, environmentalists and health workers to support a multidisciplinary approach to outdoor educational provision.

Dr Claire Warden will be presenting the following
@JUMPSTART 2019:

KEYNOTE

Nature Pedagogy is a way of working with the natural world that makes human sense through real world learning. It is far more than simply going outside as it invites educators and teachers to use creative, relationship focused strategies within the context of the natural world.

Nature pedagogy focuses on raising the quality of early years provision through following values that guide appearance such as décor, layout and landscape and supports positive relationships. It is the creation of these strong professional values in adults that ensures that the experiences and opportunities for children and families are relevant and place based.

Claire will show the way that nature pedagogy is presented through a range of models of nature-based education from around the world.

MASTERCLASS 1

Children’s theories and fascinations.

In this practical workshop of Taking Tubs we step into a world of fascination as we explore all the possibilities of the elements of the natural world in the Philippines.

The joy of rain running off a leaf, making mud pies or chasing shadows on the grass to provide a context for play and learning. Understand how we can embrace children’s joy and put it at the heart of our planning and programming so that they feel motivated and engaged to discover more.

MASTERCLASS 2

Motivational Mathematics

Active learning and active maths (ALAN) was a project that Claire lead 15 years ago. The research that came from this project demonstrated the value of recording children’s own thinking about mathematics floorbooks, a form of group documentation.

Claire will explore some of the possibilities for mathematical thinking that are in the natural world. Claire will share case studies of practice where children explore mathematics inside, outside and beyond and provide some hands on experiences to see the power of loose parts in the development of problem solving and creative mathematical thinking.
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Book Tickets Now at ₱7500
Actual Day walk-in at ₱8500
(Self-directed CPD)

Symposium

Package Includes:
Writing Materials
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