

# #edchatie

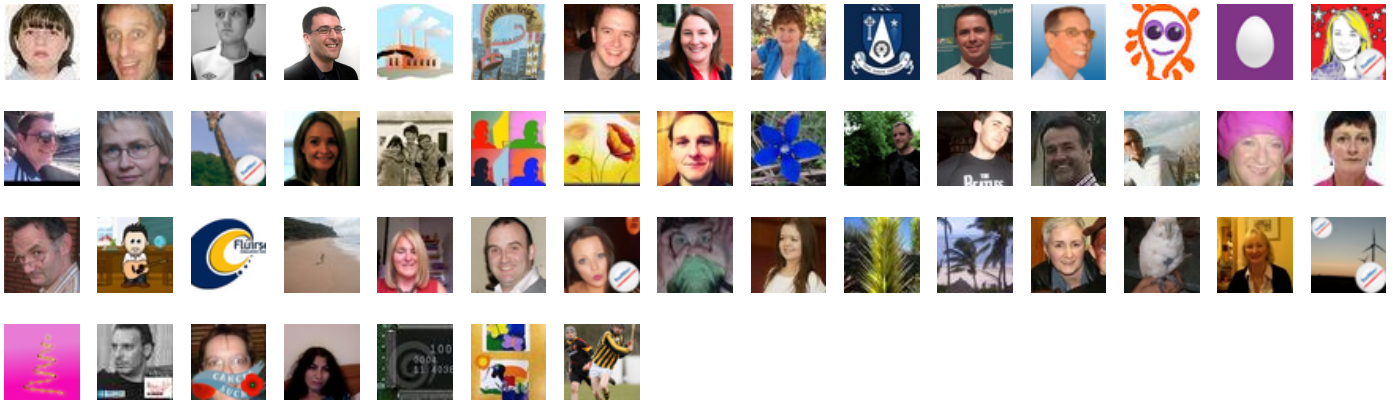
## #edchatie Number 38

A weekly discussion by Irish educators. This week's topic: "Education after Circular 0056/2011 (Literacy & Numeracy): Back to reality

## Trending Words

rt, &, @fboss, @nl\_84, @7mjb, need, -, literacy, maths, time, @bridcarlow, think, @cuffel, good, primary

## Event Participants





RT @CheridyAduviri: What is Standard English and Related Questions for Teachers <http://t.co/szA8V22j> #k12 #edchat #ellchat #engchat #esl #edchatie

28-Nov-11 00:57 | acecili5



RT @wfryer New post: 2011 #k12online Conference Starts Monday <http://t.co/e9YuyfIZ> #edchatie #ccGlobal

28-Nov-11 06:47 | fboss



You only have until noon today to vote on the topic to discuss @Mon's #edchatie (8.30-9.30pm Irish time): <http://t.co/M8I4IKov>

28-Nov-11 07:07 | fboss



RT @IrishTeachers Macbeth Questions - <http://t.co/71sYCEJE> - LeavingCertEnglish <http://t.co/fiHHQM06> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 07:08 | fboss



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28-Nov-11 07:17 | NL\_84



How To: Turn your Site or Blog into an App <http://t.co/dlafElie> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 07:49 | NL\_84



RT @fboss: You only have until noon today to vote on the topic to discuss @Mon's #edchatie (8.30-9.30pm Irish time): <http://t.co/M8I4IKov>

28-Nov-11 07:51 | simonmlewis



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28-Nov-11 08:07 | fboss



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28-Nov-11 08:08 | Ideas\_Factory



RT @Designrfix Free Vector Snowman <http://t.co/3f0no6rs> #edchatie #ccGlobal

28-Nov-11 08:12 | fboss



RT @LiamDunphy Excited by the possibilities RT @gcourous: Augmented Reality in the Wood Shop | Connect! <http://t.co/X0KUiYw8> #psd70 #edchatie

28-Nov-11 08:21 | fboss



RT @LiamDunphy Excited by the possibilities RT @gcourous: Augmented Reality in the Wood Shop.Connect! <http://t.co/X0KUiYw8> #psd70 #edchatie

28-Nov-11 08:22 | fboss



RT @levdavidovic: #edchatie #historyteacher Rt @topgold: bookmarked Documents of Ireland: UCC's attempt at an online database <http://t.co/cpcMduQz>

28-Nov-11 08:25 | hogant8



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28-Nov-11 08:26 | roygmitchell



RT @ScienceWeek Galway Science & Technology Festival's big day yesterday via @IrishTimes <http://t.co/ZI9MDFUI> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 08:40 | fboss



RT @emernowlan: Educational Studies Association Ireland 2012 conference - 29-31Mar, Cork. Papers by 9Jan. <http://t.co/nInmV9TT> #edchatie #Nledchat

28-Nov-11 11:10 | lissmiss



ONLY 30 mins left to vote on the topic to discuss @Mon's #edchatie (8.30-9.30pm Irish time): <http://t.co/M8l4IKov> Plz vote & RT

28-Nov-11 11:23 | fboss



RT @ConorHackett Go out and buy the Irish Times today for this terrific Book Supplement. <http://t.co/5XcQMLwx...> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 11:52 | fboss



RT @fboss: RT @ConorHackett Go out and buy the Irish Times today for this terrific Book Supplement. <http://t.co/5XcQMLwx...> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 12:15 | stjariaths



RT @fboss: RT @IrishTeachers Macbeth Questions - <http://t.co/71sYCEJE> - LeavingCertEnglish <http://t.co/fiHHQM06> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 12:16 | stjariaths



EU aims for an 'Innovation Union' via R&D link-ups #ScienceNov #tyndall #R&D #EU <http://t.co/YUGntHE5> via @siliconrepublic #edchatie

28-Nov-11 12:27 | fboss



Tonight's #edchatie, "Education after Circular 0056/2011 (Literacy & Numeracy): Back to reality or really backward?" -> <http://t.co/BtriwGRY>

28-Nov-11 13:08 | fboss



#edchatIE tonight at 8.30pm where Irish educators will be discussing the recent circular about Literacy & Numeracy: <http://t.co/BtriwGRY>

28-Nov-11 13:10 | fboss



RT @Insideed: How Ed Walsh would improve education-limit teacher supply and remove union leaders from curriculum committees <http://t.co/bKNflqpY> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 13:32 | rorymcgann1



RT @NL\_84: How To: Turn your Site or Blog into an App <http://t.co/dlafElie> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 13:33 | fboss



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28-Nov-11 13:35 | rorymcgann1



RT @emernowlan: Northern edchat for us southern #edchatie folk to learn from! <http://t.co/gcTXSQdF> How about shared session? #Nledchat via @he4therw4t5on

28-Nov-11 14:58 | fboss



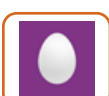
Monday Chats 2 #K12media #journchat #SAGchat #apbio #asechat #edchatIE #hsc <http://t.co/xliKGkCd>

28-Nov-11 15:01 | cybraryman1



RT @fboss: #edchatIE tonight at 8.30pm where Irish educators will be discussing the recent circular about Literacy & Numeracy:...

28-Nov-11 16:07 | Giftedkidsie



RT @levdavidovic: Shouldn't we all be doing the same? @INTOnews orders members to refuse #jobsbridge offers <http://t.co/S1HaFthJ> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 16:16 | canisgallicus



RT @fboss: #edchatie tonight from 8.30-9.30pm will be about Literacy & Numeracy: <http://t.co/BtriwGRY> Share your thoughts & opinions with us

28-Nov-11 17:12 | RMMul



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28-Nov-11 17:36 | joannegilmartin



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28-Nov-11 17:55 | levdaidovic



Re-enacting Historical Events on Twitter With RealTimeWWII: #edchatie

28-Nov-11 18:03 | domaho



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28-Nov-11 18:37 | pamelaaobrien



@he4therw4t5on @emernowlan Definitely! I've taken part in #edchatie in the past and it's a quality discussion.

28-Nov-11 18:51 | dmchugh675



#edchatie Fun interactive advent calendar--> <http://t.co/SAo8nEg3> Only a couple of days away! via @alaneary

28-Nov-11 19:25 | MoloneyKing



Free webinar Nov. 29th: Communicating & Connecting with Social Media (for schools) <http://t.co/Suml1MAb> (via @nmhs\_principal) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 19:35 | Parents\_GortCS



elearningIsland New Post BBC: Coding - the new Latin <http://t.co/TbzffSW3> #jcreform #bunscoile #edchatie #edchat #Nledchat

28-Nov-11 20:01 | domaho



Hi, any #edchatie people online, would you mind saying hi to new Twitter person @clwmckenna who is big into Minecraft and ICT in general?!

28-Nov-11 20:06 | SabineMcKenna



@MoloneyKing Thanks for the #edchatie RT, Michelle. Much appreciated!

28-Nov-11 20:07 | alaneary



Can't make #edchatie tonight, but was playing with <http://t.co/v6U1QXUX> over the weekend. Might be good for sharing creative writing?

28-Nov-11 20:08 | mrdowdican



@SabineMcKenna Will do. Hi to @clwmckenna Glad to hear you're into Minecraft. Think it's a great game in education #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:09 | fboss



AfL using e-Portfolios Re: Circular 0056/2011 Literacy&Numeracy (&21st Century Skills/Digital Literacy) <http://t.co/wQdGpn1p> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:11 | joannegilmartin



@dmchugh675 ..and you brought some of the quality into #edchatie as well. Hope #Nledchat is going well :-)

28-Nov-11 20:11 | fboss



2 minutes to tonight's #edchatie When Tweeting, don't forget the hashtag #edchatie so Tweets can be collated here: <http://t.co/i35YrGeo>

28-Nov-11 20:29 | fboss



Welcome to tonight's #edchatie Can you introduce yourself before we begin the topic itself

28-Nov-11 20:31 | fboss



Roy, primary teacher from Sligo #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:32 | roymitchell



@fboss #edchatie Conor here, second level History and ICT

28-Nov-11 20:32 | conpower



Elaine Dobbyn- English teacher in Drogheda #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:32 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



Mary Jo. Teaching Junior Infants in Shankill #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:33 | 7MJB



Nigel, primary teacher, Naas... First #edchatie in a while! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:33 | NL\_84



Fred Boss, art teacher @ second level. Interested in this topic too though - especially the transition into 1st year part #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:33 | fboss



Sabine McKenna, primary substitute teacher, lurking tonight as also finishing essay on Learning Theory and computers in education #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:33 | SabineMcKenna



Larry here Maths for Adults and 2nd Chance. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:33 | CuffeL



Danny, primary, Mayo. (At a course so will try to tune in from time to time!!) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:33 | charltontweets



@NL\_84 Welcome back Nigel :- ) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:34 | fboss



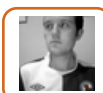
@charltontweets Tweet from under the desk (they'll never suss it!) :- ) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:34 | fboss



Pam 3rd level Maths lecturer #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:34 | pamelaobrien



@fboss Cheers Fred! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:34 | NL\_84



See page 12 of this document: <http://t.co/BtriwGRY> for the summary #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:36 | fboss



@crumphelen Sounds very Christmasie Helen! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:36 | 7MJB



@7MJB Discussing new D/Ed circular <http://t.co/KtY9CfUN> re literacy and numeracy in primary schools. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:37 | SabineMcKenna



@fboss Agreed. 1st & 2nd level need to be communicating better. Also standardized testing of lit & num early in 2nd level is VITAL! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:37 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



@BridCarlow Thanks Brid! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:37 | 7MJB



First off what does everyone think of the increase in Literacy & Numeracy hours? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:37 | fboss



#edchatie @fboss straight off the bat I think that the increase is commendable as its sorely needed!

28-Nov-11 20:38 | roygmitchell



@fboss Two giant thumbs up from the English teacher! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:39 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



increase needed, just want to know where it will come from? #edchatie #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:39 | NL\_84



@SabineMcKenna Thanks. Only reading it now Sabine! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:39 | 7MJB



#edchatie Will simply increasing amount of time for literacy make a significant difference? \*How\* is crucial. Literacy Initiatives e.g.

28-Nov-11 20:39 | SabineMcKenna



Hi #edchatie . History and Geography teacher in Tyrone...mostly lurking due to a teething baby boy!

28-Nov-11 20:39 | dmchugh675



Home Ec teaching in Tallaght. I can't seem to find a similiar doc for 2nd level? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:39 | MaireOHagan



pgrph 5.2 using some or all of discretionary curriculum time for literacy and numeracy activities I don't like this. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:39 | CuffeL



@NL\_84 so true nigel. the whole integration of subjects is all well and good but..... #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:40 | roygmitchell



one of the biggest problems with the doc is that it is quite vague! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:42 | roymitchell



#edchatie More time definitely needed on them, standards have dropped a lot

28-Nov-11 20:42 | 7MJB



@SabineMcKenna agree re: not just time spent but how it's taught #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:42 | pamelaabrien



@fboss Discretionary time can be allocated by teacher / school; some schools already use it for extra maths. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:42 | SabineMcKenna



#edchatie Literacy & numeracy can easily be taught through subjects other than English & Maths...

28-Nov-11 20:43 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



@johnmayo Great thanks trying to get other schools to add to blog on LCCW page - digital media literacy #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:43 | MaireOHagan



DoE are experts at that! >> RT @roymitchell: one of the biggest problems with the doc is that it is quite vague! #edchatie #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:43 | NL\_84



#edchatie is it a case we have overloaded the primary curriculum at the expense of reading & writing

28-Nov-11 20:43 | johnmayo



'will be required to implement standardised testing for all all students in 2nd, 4th and 6th classes with effect from 2012 onwards #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:43 | CuffeL



@7MJB Agreed, can see a drop by the time students get to us #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:43 | pamelaabrien



I've nver heard of a school that actually doles out the discretionary time #edchatie does that happen?

28-Nov-11 20:43 | roymitchell



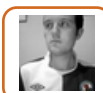
@Elaine\_Dobbyn this already happens, not sure the circular recognises this #edchatie #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:44 | NL\_84



@johnmayo Abso-frickin-lutely!!!! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:44 | roymitchell



@roymitchell yes, it does in mine to some degree #edchatie #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:44 | NL\_84



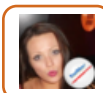
The problem is not just at primary level #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:44 | pamelaabrien



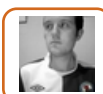
@BridCarlow BUt I think in this doc that the NCCA are said to be re-visiting the Primary Curriculum with a view to these changes #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:46 | fboss



ASTI/TUI/INTO campaign against budget cuts in education, meeting in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday 29th November #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:46 | sineadk



Just realised the hashtag is automatically added on tweetchat, apologies if anyone has been annoyed by my doubling up! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:46 | NL\_84



I do wonder what the rationale was with in setting up the curriculum as 11 (+religion) separate subjects! #edchatie time constraint...eh yup

28-Nov-11 20:46 | roymitchell



@7MJB #edchatie maybe standards have dropped n expectations from ind av Increased and web increases reading n writing etc

28-Nov-11 20:48 | crumphelen



@roygmitchell I imagine it was quite hard to keep all curriculum leaders/developers happy, so they allowed so many subjects in #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:48 | NL\_84



Speaking of time constraints, here comes the next part of page 12 of <http://t.co/BtriwGRY> for discussion #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:48 | fboss



A lot of the basics have been neglected through lack of time: grammar, debating, spellings, tables #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:48 | 7MJB



Page 12 : Sections 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.7 - Assessment policy, standardised tests from May 2012, results kept for inspection #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:49 | fboss



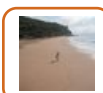
@7MJB ha debating! I've done a proper debate twice in 6 years of teaching primary school. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:49 | roymitchell



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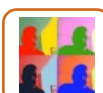
#edchatie some families just don't have language and literacy so job is V. Challenging

28-Nov-11 20:50 | crumphelen



@CuffeL care needed here in UK teaching to the Sats at the expense of other subjs, now drawing back form overtesting #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:50 | MaireOHagan



Following this on phone. Not as easy to participate. Enjoying discussion Donal #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:50 | domaho



Standardised testing has already been taking place every year in our school. All are reported to parents and secondary schools #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:50 | roymitchell





Plus issue of sending stats to the DES is the next step towards primary league tables #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:52 | roygmitchell



Weekly spelling tests in most schools - the words could relate to the week's history / science / math etc.- be more relevant too #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:52 | SabineMcKenna



@roygmitchell I started getting standardised test results from my daughters school last year with her report #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:52 | pamelaaobrien



Grammer is a construct, computer analysis says it doesn't exist in real communication, spelling a 200 yr aberration, #edchatie "Emerson"

28-Nov-11 20:53 | CuffeL



So true, this is on the way >> RT @roygmitchell: issue of sending stats to the DES is the next step towards primary league tables #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:53 | NL\_84



@roygmitchell Yes and again only look at the effects in UK really need to take great care in publicising #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:53 | MaireOHagan



@pamelaaobrien we always send one set home and report other set @ the PT meeting. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:53 | roygmitchell



@NL\_84 Secondary. I have colleagues who admit they ignore spelling & grammar because 'it doesn't matter' for Science, Geog etc. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:53 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



RT @BridCarlow #edchatie Would prefer to have no calculator use in primary. Mentals maths an essential area << Agree! Get them thinking!

28-Nov-11 20:54 | 7MJB



@roygmitchell That's exactly what we've just had at PT meeting 2 weeks ago #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:54 | pamelaaobrien



@Elaine\_Dobbyn I see, not sure how to change that... Do students lose marks in state exams for incorrect grammar/sp.? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:54 | NL\_84



@Elaine\_Dobbyn @NL\_84 I can see why that's a problem but can also see the other side of the "well what are we teaching here?" #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:54 | roygmitchell



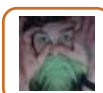
#edchatie If they start primary league tables what will the be the consequence of performing poorly? Less resources or more to help improve?

28-Nov-11 20:54 | FluirseSchools



@NL\_84 @MaireOHagan Same in USA with no child left behind. Doesn't cater the variety of real children both up and down. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:54 | CuffeL



Lit+num need to be improved overall THROUGH SESE etc... #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:55 | RonocNiderb



@FluirseSchools Falling student numbers could be a major issue as parents keep their kids away from said schools. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:56 | NL\_84



@7MJB @bridcarlow mental Maths as a skill not very evident #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:56 | pamelaaobrien



@NL\_84 The problem is they don't lose marks in state exams--even in English only 5% of the marks go for sp & grammar! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:57 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



@NL\_84 I think calculators are a tool students need to learn. Still think they also need a bit of mental maths too (the basics) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:57 | fboss



@NL\_84 @7mjb important to be able to use calculators but need to have an idea of what the answer should be #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:57 | pamelaaobrien



@7MJB #edchatie don't know compulsory ed too well but do know plenty of adults still need the basics. Tough shout for everyone

28-Nov-11 20:57 | crumphelen



Agree! RT @pamelaaobrien: @NL\_84 @7mjb important to be able to use calculators but need to have an idea of what answer should be #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:58 | NL\_84



@NL\_84 #Edchatie I've seen that happen when I lived in the USA. Parents would move parish to get away from a school

28-Nov-11 20:58 | FluirseSchools



RT @NL\_84: @FluirseSchools Falling student numbers could be a major issue as parents keep their kids away from said schools. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:58 | roygmitchell



@NL\_84 Need to be able to use them but need to keep the brain working too! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:58 | 7MJB



@FluirseSchools and gain religious practice in UK! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:59 | MaireOHagan



@FluirseSchools #edchatie That's an interesting one. The doc says "NO" to publishing data for compilation of league tables P.10 but... (1/2)

28-Nov-11 20:59 | fboss



@pamelaaobrien @7MJB @bridcarlow children need to know what they are doing to use a calculator; is the tool the problem. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:59 | dmchugh675



@NL\_84 @FluirseSchools you would wonder though...is that sort of right? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 20:59 | roygmitchell



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28-Nov-11 20:59 | NL\_84



@FluirseSchools #edchatie But... Page 9 "...especially when comparing trends in achievement over time or i... (cont) <http://t.co/2Ev141mq>

28-Nov-11 21:00 | fboss



@7MJB @NL\_84 #edchatie, teach them to reach further with calculator. How many snowflakes fell today? How many leaves on a tree? Big No. Q's

28-Nov-11 21:00 | CuffeL



@fboss @FluirseSchools it doesn't outright say no though...#edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:01 | roygmitchell



Re-enacting Historical Events on Twitter With RealTimeWWII <http://t.co/eBJmCShV> #edchat #sschat #edchatie #isedchat

28-Nov-11 21:01 | drcmcgettigan



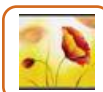
@fboss @FluirseSchools : <http://t.co/7LScDxnl> #edchatie #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:02 | roygmitchell



#edchatie @roygmitchell I haven't seen it but it sounds like it's vague enough that they can turn around later and do anything!!

28-Nov-11 21:02 | FluirseSchools



@dmchugh675 @7mjb @bridcarlow I think the problem is that they often don't understand what they're trying to achieve #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:02 | pamelaabrien



It will inevitably lead to League Tables and a reduction in teaching time spent on the more creative subjects @fboss #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:02 | DuicheEallaigh



@MaireOHagan @FluirseSchools Amen to that! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:02 | fboss



@fboss the data hould be usd safely in school for planning etc but when it goes public! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:02 | MaireOHagan



#edchatie looks really interesting tonight. Hot topic in many families/schools. Sorry I can't stay. Will catch up tomorrow.

28-Nov-11 21:02 | marloft



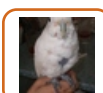
RT @7MJB @dmchugh675 @pamelaabrien @bridcarlow Not a problem. They need to know their tables, be able to estimate & understand #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:03 | 7MJB



@filmfashionpopc Yes! SAw this. It's almost like there's an extra test for the Gaelscoileanna because Irish is their 1st language #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:03 | fboss



Hey there... lurking.... ;-D @fboss @bridcarlow... #edchatie [Like it? <http://t.co/oXeahCq8> ]

28-Nov-11 21:03 | LesLinks



RT @pamelaabrien: @dmchugh675 @7mjb @bridcarlow I think the problem is that they often don't understand what they're trying to achieve #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:03 | roygmitchell



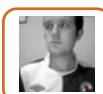
principles required to report aggregated assessment data from standardised tests to the board of management of their schools #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:05 | CuffeL



@DuicheEallaigh @MaireOHagan But will schools even be able to keep a lid on "good results" if in competition for students? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:05 | fboss



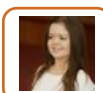
@CuffeL what will BOM do with this data? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:05 | NL\_84



RT @roygmitchell: @fboss @FluirseSchools : <http://t.co/mNAZTMGq> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:06 | fboss



@fboss The Department should promote the language, rather than roll out further assessment which may deter children / parents. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:06 | filmfashionpopc



@fboss Yes and then if not publishing there will be questions too - really feels like UK need to take care re league tables #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:06 | MaireOHagan



"Please note that there is no intention to publish data for individual schools or to enable the data to be used for the...#edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:06 | roygmitchell



RT @NL\_84: So do many people feel we could end up with less time for certain subjects, teaching to the test, league tables? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:07 | fboss



@filmfashionpopc @NL\_84 and if it doesn't matter for exams then why should kids care at all? Bring on standardized testing I say! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:07 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



@roygmitchell hmm, no intention, that's not even close to saying it won't be done! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:07 | NL\_84



Lit & numeracy go hand in hand. Many children fail at math because of poor lit skills, they have difficulty reading maths problems #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:07 | 7MJB



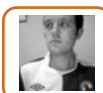
of league tables." #edchatie  
....eh "intention"!!??

28-Nov-11 21:07 | roygmitchell



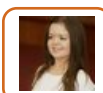
@filmfashionpopc @fboss Good point. #edchatie. Then we present maths as a language and we're home free!

28-Nov-11 21:08 | CuffeL



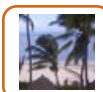
@Elaine\_Dobbyn Standardised testing for what purpose? Micra-T doesn't penalise spelling errors either! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:08 | NL\_84



@NL\_84 @CuffeL With parents & other teachers on BOM's, releasing assessment data may not prove positive for the school as a whole. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:08 | filmfashionpopc



I hope Primary Schools never use results to attract pupils. Could lead to disharmony among schools in the same parish @fboss #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:11 | DuicheEallaigh



@filmfashionpopc @NL\_84 @CuffeL there are 2 community reps on the BOMs too though #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:11 | roygmitchell



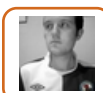
RT @sineadk: ASTI/TUI/INTO campaign against budget cuts in education, meeting in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday 29th November #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:11 | carsoreboxer



Continual assessment, which builds on strengths which have been learned is a helpful 'in time' thing.. problems caught as happen. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:11 | LesLinks



@DuicheEallaigh If league tables are produced, this will inevitably occur. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:11 | NL\_84



RT @BridCarlow: #edchatie "Exam rewards rote learning not thinking skills" <- and this is not in line with new Jr. Cert #edchatie #jcreform

28-Nov-11 21:11 | fboss



@fboss @NL\_84 then the makeup of BOMs needs to be seriously looked at. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:11 | charlontweets



#edchatie Children need to be given time to tease out a problem in maths, to learn the skills of problem solving.

28-Nov-11 21:12 | 7MJB



@dublinwebb Yup.. especially for those with LD's.. dyslexia and such.. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:12 | LesLinks



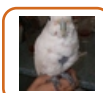
@NL\_84 Well for me a reading assessment would be useful in 1st or 2nd yr to highlight any major probs earlier than the Junior cert #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:12 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



Agreed RT @7MJB: #edchatie Children need to be given time to tease out a problem in maths, to learn the skills of problem solving. #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:12 | pamelaaobrien



RT @7MJB: #edchatie Children need to be given time to tease out a problem in maths, to learn the skills of problem solving.=agree! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:12 | LesLinks



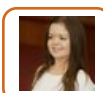
@pamelaaobrien @7mjb @bridcarlow I'll confess to being rubbish at mental maths but give me a calculator.... :) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:12 | dmchugh675



RT @sineadk: ASTI/TUI/INTO campaign against budget cuts in education, meeting in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday 29th November #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:13 | maxwol\_com



@CuffeL @fboss I agree, In primary school, much of childrens' difficulties are with the wording of the question not the 'maths'. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:13 | filmfashionpopc



@7MJB Agree...do maths teachers still put kids on the spot with 'What's 7 x 8?' type questions? <shivers> #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:15 | dmchugh675



#edchatie With so much extra stuff on curr, time not given to discuss how to solve a problem, or how differently an answer can be achieved

28-Nov-11 21:15 | 7MJB



How do Primary teachers on #edchatie feel about history of the student's results following them into secondary #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:16 | fboss



@Elaine\_Dobbyn but does it need to be standardised? could in-school tests achieve the same? #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:16 | NL\_84



@fboss @Elaine\_Dobbyn If history follows to 2ndry, then a slow starter is marked as thick all the way through. Not good.#edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:16 | CuffeL



@BridCarlow think a lot of issues with Maths stem from perception that 'I'm no good at it' - often comes from parents insecurities #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:16 | pamelaabrien



@dmchugh675 Yes! Maybe I shouldn't? ;) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:16 | NL\_84



@7MJB so agree! not enough hours in the day to teach anything half right when so much is on the curriculum! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:16 | roygmitchell



RT @pamelaabrien: @BridCarlow think a lot of issues with Maths stem from perception that 'I'm no good at it' - often comes from parents insecurities #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:17 | roygmitchell



Agreed RT @fboss: @pamelaabrien @7MJB @LesLinks @bridcarlow ->Problem solving not just a Maths skill either, but a life lesson:-) #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:17 | pamelaabrien



@7MJB Some of this is in the principles behind project maths. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:17 | CuffeL



@CuffeL . history - but there's a chance that they can be supported and not left to flounder #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:17 | MaireOHagan



@fboss no problem with that at all. wish schools would share more info when transferring kids #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:17 | roygmitchell



@roygmitchell And anyone teaching communion/confirmation classes will agree that these are MAJOR time consumers as well. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:18 | NL\_84



@dmchugh675 I do think time should be given each day for tables. 10 mins each morning for rattling them off!! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:18 | 7MJB



Sorry have to go will catch up with the rest tomorrow - thanks great chat #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:19 | MaireOHagan



@roygmitchell Me too. Would have liked to know what level of ability was coming into my class (wondering if I'm judging here?) #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:19 | fboss



@CuffeL @pamelaaobrien @BridCarlow ditto with Irish or Art or PE.....#edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:19 | roygmitchell



RT @CuffeL @pamelaaobrien @BridCarlow "I'm no good at maths" and "I hate maths" are socially acceptable. They shouldn't be #edchatie < agree

28-Nov-11 21:19 | 7MJB



@NL\_84 Well that's the status quo & it's not working. I think parents & students take something official more seriously #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:20 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



@CuffeL @bridcarlow absolutely agreed. Becomes a self fulfilling prophecy! #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:20 | pamelaaobrien



@fboss think it's the least that could be done.maddens me when I get little to no info on new kids or even kids in a new class. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:20 | roygmitchell



@filmfashionpopc I hope results will put education on BOM agenda, but have been briefed that teaching practice is not for BOM #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:20 | CuffeL



got to go, will read transcript with interest in the am, thanks all, great stuff! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:21 | charlontweets



RT @CuffeL: @pamelaaobrien @BridCarlow "I'm no good at maths" and "I hate maths" are socially acceptable. They shouldn't be. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:21 | fboss



@pamelaaobrien like anything else Maths is not an exception. They all need to be taught from and towards practicality. #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:21 | agarridodiez



Into the official, final 10 minutes of tonight's tremendous #edchatie The transcript will be available here tomorrow: <http://t.co/i35YrGeo>

28-Nov-11 21:22 | fboss



@CuffeL That would be ideal, definitely something to think about in the coming months. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:22 | filmfashionpopc



#edchatie <http://t.co/1GfsmcS5> There is a famous book called Mythical man month where in software you reduc... (cont) <http://t.co/w4wbl6vA>

28-Nov-11 21:22 | johnmayo



Putting kids to bed, back in 10 great discusion! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:22 | CuffeL



#edchatie Language important for developing lit skills. More conversations needed at home & in the classroom

28-Nov-11 21:24 | 7MJB



@BridCarlow According to the doc, Primary school can share student info with the 2ndary school they go to #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:24 | fboss



@pamelaaobrien we all should follow the Finnish paradigm: less is more #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:26 | agarridodiez



@BridCarlow Night Bríd! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:26 | 7MJB



too true less is more until children get older #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:26 | roygmitchell



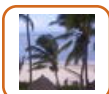
#edchatie Excuse my ignorance but are students streamed by ability when they transfer to secondary schools in Rol?

28-Nov-11 21:27 | dmchugh675



@dublinwebb @sabinemckenna being able to figure out the Maths behind the text is a skill which is definitely lacking at the moment #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:28 | pamelaaobrien



Literacy/Numeracy drive will definitely encourage schools to raise their standards. How we achieve this will be Interesting! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:28 | DuicheEallaigh



@NL\_84 So can !! It's just having someone listen to you & maybe get extra help for kids who need them- I only have 40 mins a day! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:28 | Elaine\_Dobbyn



RT @agarridodiez: @pamelaaobrien we all should follow the Finnish paradigm: less is more #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:28 | dmchugh675



off topic but anyone know any links re advice for new staff rep on BOM #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:28 | roygmitchell



@dmchugh675 It depends on the school they're going into (I think) and the "entrance exam" they sit. A lot of schools band instead #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:28 | fboss



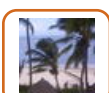
@agarridodiez I would prefer to see less covered but to have it dealt with in a way that makes sense to the student #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:29 | pamelaaobrien



@agarridodiez can then move on with more complex topics once they have good understanding of the basics #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:30 | pamelaaobrien



Are you in favour of League Tables? @NL\_84 #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:30 | DuicheEallaigh





@pamelaobrien I totally agree with you. As I said " less is more". It works for me anyway. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:31 | agarridodiez



Officially we've hit the 1 hour mark. Brilliant #edchatie tonight. Very thought-provoking. Thanks to all for taking part. Transcript tomorrow

28-Nov-11 21:32 | fboss



RT @ 7MJB A colleague once shared info on a pupil with sec school. Principal there spoke about it with parents. Not a great result #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:32 | 7MJB



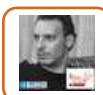
Feel free to go over the official hour too. I'll wait until tomorrow to catch any late comments with #edchatie hashtag <http://t.co/i35YrGeo>

28-Nov-11 21:33 | fboss



#edchatie Thanks to @fboss. Really great chat tonight. Off to get ready for The Apprentice now!

28-Nov-11 21:33 | 7MJB



@pamelaobrien the problem is that many educational systems still work with a very dense curriculum. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:35 | agarridodiez



That is definitely the case @fboss Dept could maybe publish top 10 schools in each county & laud them for their achievements!! #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:35 | DuicheEallaigh



#edchatie cheers @fboss T was a good one! :D

28-Nov-11 21:35 | roygmitchell



@DuicheEallaigh not at all, I just think it could be very unfair if based on standardised tests & could lead to teaching to test. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:36 | NL\_84



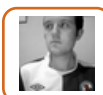
#edchatie transcript available tomorrow here: <http://t.co/i35YrGeo> Looks like it'll be a great read too. Thanks to all who took part!

28-Nov-11 21:36 | fboss



RT @7MJB: RT @CuffeL @pamelaobrien @BridCarlow "I'm no good at maths" and "I hate maths" are socially acceptable. They shouldn't be #edchatie < agree

28-Nov-11 21:37 | wyvernfriend



@DuicheEallaigh But parents will demand to know how other schools are performing. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:37 | NL\_84



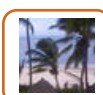
Thanks all for great #Edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:38 | pamelaobrien



Thanks again to @fboss for another great chat. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:38 | NL\_84



You're totally correct Nigel. Could really take the fun out of these 2 great subjects. @NL\_84 #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:38 | DuicheEallaigh



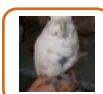
@NL\_84 @duicheeallaigh #edchatie If the test results showed educational gain by students, not just achievement, normalized for background?

28-Nov-11 21:44 | CuffeL



@CuffeL @duicheeallaigh that would be more useful, but the circular says nothing about changing standardised tests. #edchatie

28-Nov-11 21:46 | NL\_84



Thanks again @fboss.. #edchatie [Like it? <http://t.co/gOzqhd2a> ]

28-Nov-11 21:47 | LesLinks



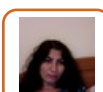
RT @mrdowdican: Can't make #edchatie tonight, but was playing with <http://t.co/v6U1QXUX> over the weekend. Might be good for sharing creative writing?

28-Nov-11 21:48 | fboss



Thanks folks #edchatie Lots of good thoughts there. Early days on the topic.

28-Nov-11 21:51 | CuffeL



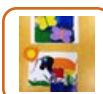
RT @mrdowdican: Can't make #edchatie tonight, but was playing with <http://t.co/v6U1QXUX> over the weekend. Might be good for sharing creative writing?

28-Nov-11 21:52 | yallsop



#edchatie. This is very cool - Maths in movies - 100s of clips via the super @sydney padua <http://t.co/WgEWs9EF>

28-Nov-11 22:00 | mary\_hannon



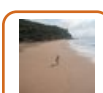
"@7MJB: A lot of the basics have been neglected through lack of time: grammar, debating, spellings, tables #edchatie". Agree

28-Nov-11 22:13 | subkiteu



@fboss #edchatie hey sorry I missed tonight's discussion, fixing a friends IT problem. Looking forward to tomorrows PDF. thanks

28-Nov-11 22:17 | subkiteu



#edchatie lit/num interestin chat topic Perhaps can be broken down n discussed some more in future. What it means to be lit/num imp. topic 2

28-Nov-11 22:40 | crumphelen



#edchatie #history #historyteacher RT @NMIreland: Number 42 in a History of Ireland in 100 objects <http://t.co/RUOXuMoB>

28-Nov-11 23:12 | levdaidovic



Sorry to miss #edchatie tonight. Looked good, look forward to transcript. Great to see some cross-border tweeting! #Niedchat @dmchugh675

28-Nov-11 23:16 | emernowlan



@crumphelen Please add it in to the next poll on Weds for consideration & voting in #edchatie

28-Nov-11 23:17 | fboss



@dmchugh675 @he4therw4t5on @fboss What would be a good topic for a cross-border edchat? #edchatie #Niedchat

28-Nov-11 23:18 | emernowlan



#edchatie #history RT @HistoryToday: Sinn Fein, founded 28 November 1905, which would become the political arm of IRA <http://t.co/G1VXttRx>

28-Nov-11 23:20 | levdaidovic