Spelling Masterclass

Full Day Professional Development Workshop

Unlock the mysteries of the phonemic approach

The Australian Curriculum has identified phonemic awareness and phonics as *essential* for learning to read and spell – now is the time to empower your teachers with the professional expertise required to teach students these skills.

What's the masterclass all about?

The Spelling Masterclass is a comprehensive full-day workshop that equips participants with the skills and confidence required to effectively teach phonemic awareness and phonics.

At the end of the workshop, participants will take away:

- an in-depth knowledge of phonics, phonological awareness and phonemic awareness
- proficiency in translating this knowledge into effective teaching practice
- confidence in their ability to deliver a systematic, explicit spelling program
- an understanding of how to differentiate spelling instruction
- awareness of how to assess students' spelling progress.

Who should attend?

This workshop is perfect for P–6 teachers wanting to begin or enhance their teaching of phonemic awareness and phonics.

Who are we?

Firefly Education create books and digital resources for the smart classroom. We've teamed up with literacy specialist Nicole Forrest to create this comprehensive Spelling Masterclass.

Nicole Forrest (BEd, GradDipPsychSt) is a practising learning support teacher whose work in early literacy intervention focuses on phonological awareness and phonics.



Completing the Spelling Masterclass will contribute 5 hours of QTC Registered PD addressing 1.1.2, 1.5.2, 2.1.2, 3.2.2, 5.1.2, 6.4.2 from the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

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Professional Development Workshop Schedule

Time	Content Overview
Morning Session 1	Spelling Starts With Sounds Phonological awareness Speech and language development Phonemes Oral Segmenting and blending skills Articulation
Morning Session 2	Matching Sounds to Letters Phonics Graphemes Segmenting into graphemes Tricky graphemes Letter names Helpful hints for making grapheme choices
Morning Tea Break	
Middle Session	Planning and Teaching Yearly and weekly planning Lesson structure Example Lesson 1 Example Lesson 2
Lunch Break	
Afternoon Session	Assessment and Differentiation Weekly, monthly and yearly assessment Ideas for homework tasks Implementing a whole school approach

How much does it cost? \$269 per attendee*

* Minimum 8 attendees. Don't have enough attendees to meet the minimum? Contact us anyway to discuss alternatives, such as combining with other interested schools nearby. Travel expenses may be charged depending on your school's location.

Can I customise this full-day workshop?

This workshop is designed to fit within your regular school day (approximately 8:30 am - 3:00 pm). We can negotiate your preferred day of the week for this class. Just tell us what you need and we'll happily discuss your options.

How do I book my school in for the workshop?

Contact your local education consultant with your preferred booking date. To find out who your education consultant is visit <u>www.fireflyeducation.com.au/contact</u>.

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