Storytelling Schools is a dynamic and empowering approach to learning where students tell stories and create stories as a way of learning across the curriculum. The approach is used in more than settings throughout England, including around 200 primary schools as well as early years settings and secondary schools. The National Literacy Agency of Malta is now adopting the Storytelling Schools approach across the Maltese islands.

This course will show you how to use the approach to integrate storytelling and story-making into classroom teaching and whole school planning, including the teaching of both English and topic content.

Course elements include the teaching of storytelling, the integration of arts into story development, story recycling and story creation, plus how to link oral storytelling to the teaching of writing. These elements link together into a whole school system of learning which is proven to raise standards of effective teaching as well as building the confidence, competence and enthusiasm of staff. Students become confident oral storytellers which builds their confidence and enjoyment of writing, raising attainment as a result.

In five days, participants will learn how to teach the various elements in the system using experiential, skill focussed learning and understand how to link the components together into a whole school system for learning. The course is intended
for teachers. The main experience of the method is with primary education; however, the course will also be suitable for early years and secondary educators interested in exploring the approach.

International delegates are most welcome to attend the course and explore the suitability of the approach to their own country context.

**During the week you will learn how to:**
- Plan literacy and subject learning with oracy as a springboard
- Teach oral presentation and communication skills
- Deepen vocabulary and comprehension through the creative arts: poetry, song, art and drama
- Link spoken vocabulary to improved standards in writing
- Teach the recycling of old story ideas into new tales
- Teach the creation of new stories using a simple one-stop matrix
- Apply the method across the curriculum

The course tutor is Dr Chris Smith, co-founder of Storytelling Schools Ltd and co-author of *The Storytelling Schools Teachers Handbook* which is the course text.

The course is based in the beautiful garden studio of the Museum in the Park, Stratford Park, Stroud GL5 4AF. Stroud is easily accessible by train from Heathrow, Bristol or Birmingham airports.

**Cost:**
£450 plus refundable VAT for EU institutions.

Refreshments provided. Lunch available in the park Café. Accommodation available a short walk away in the delightful Cotswold town of Stroud with its many restaurants, pubs and evening attractions.

**Book soon to secure a place. Numbers are limited.**

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