



48th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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Marino Institute of Education, Dublin

Leading Literacy

Laying Foundations for Future Success



CALL FOR PAPERS

Establishing a ***firm foundation for literacy*** is crucial for success throughout our time in school and beyond. ***Literacy leaders*** have a significant role in ensuring that all children reach their full potential. Understanding and critical awareness of literacy research helps in ***designing equitable, evidence-based and enjoyable literacy experiences*** across all stages of learning.

Much attention has been afforded to the pivotal role of *word recognition* skills in boosting early literacy achievement. However, we know that a plethora of other *skills, capacities and understandings* are needed to ensure that students can engage critically with the literacy demands of life in contemporary society. How can teachers support the development of *foundational literacy skills*? How can we balance attention to *word recognition and broader literacy skills* during the school day? How can teachers create opportunities for *content-rich language and literacy experiences*? How can we meaningfully engage with research to support the development of *evidence-based literacy practices in diverse settings*? How can *transformative professional learning* support teachers in this endeavour?

It is timely to look ahead and explore possibilities for addressing these questions in national and international contexts. LAI seeks submissions on a range of related themes, including:

- The teaching of foundational skills (e.g. phonemic awareness, phonics)
- Integration of multiple literacy components within high quality practice
- Linking broader curriculum content with literacy pedagogy
- Inclusive practices in literacy for diverse learners
- Literacy in multiple languages (including ISL)
- Literacy leadership and whole-school planning
- Bridging the research-practice gap
- Multiliteracies, including digital literacy, critical literacy, visual literacy
- Playful and engaging approaches to literacy

Deadline for proposals:
~~June 14 2024~~ Extended!
July 5 2024

Session format:
Paper / Workshop / Symposium /
Poster - [See here for more info](#)

Proposal format: 150-300 word abstract,
submitted online via the following link:
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