

To The Principal

AWARENESS SESSIONS TERM ONE 2007 (FOR COURSES TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN 2008)

Following correspondence dated 30 October 2006 on professional development arrangements for 2007, we have had some feedback regarding the initial awareness sessions proposed for **heads of learning area/teachers in charge**. We have canvassed a number of principals and would like to confirm **alternative options** available to schools/individuals with respect to accessing the awareness sessions scheduled for early term one.

- Option 1:** Awareness sessions conducted on **Tuesday 30 January** between 9.00–11.30 am and 12.30–3.00pm. Sessions could include groupings of courses broadly by learning areas. This option quarantines Monday 29 January for schools.
- Option 2:** A West Link broadcast aired on **Monday 29 January** (afternoon). The assessment component of the ½ day session will be telecast via West Link, supplemented online by the course specific materials. This option allows schools to access the live broadcast, or a recorded version at a later time.
- Option 3:** For Catholic Education Office (CEO) and AISWA schools, awareness sessions will be available through their joint Learning Area Network meetings during term one. CEO and AISWA have agreed to accept limited registrations to these meetings from DET schools. This option provides another alternative for schools which are unable to schedule staff attendance on 30 January.
- Option 4:** The materials presented at the awareness sessions will be available in **online format** on Monday 29 January. This option provides the flexibility for schools to access the information presented at a time that is convenient to them. On request through school systems and sectors and as a follow up to the online access, **videoconference sessions** could be organised.
- Option 5:** Awareness sessions conducted on **Thursday 25 January** between 9.00–11.30 am and 12.30–3.00pm. Sessions could include groupings of courses broadly by learning areas. This option is primarily but not exclusively for staff from country schools and is subject to sufficient registrations by 1 December 2006.

Final details regarding dates, venues and registration for these options will be published in conjunction with the Professional Development Plan for 2007 later this month.

If you have any further questions relating to professional development in 2007, please contact the professional development team at the Curriculum Council secretariat on 9273 6713 or email pdenquiry@curriculum.wa.edu.au

Yours sincerely



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