

COREskills

Core Skills at Dalziel High School



'Aim for the Highest'

Liz Kelly, Depute of Dalziel High School in North Lanarkshire, explains that Core Skills are a central feature of every pupil's education, as:

'They empower our pupils with the valuable skills necessary for today's modern world.

'S1 and S2 do *Information Technology* at Intermediate 1 and 2, and the whole year-group is involved. They then work towards *IT Higher* using the European Computer Driving Licence, which is already delivered in the school.

'In S4, the whole group is presented for *Working with Others* at Intermediate 1 and 2. S6 pupils do *Working with Others* at Higher through the house officials' scheme and buddy schemes.'

Good Practice at Dalziel High School

S4 pupils do *Working with Others* as a dedicated Core Skills National Unit while preparing for work experience. The Unit is delivered through the Social Education Programme, with pupils working in teams, and research is carried out into Health and Safety at work. Pupils decide how to investigate this in their work experience placement. They carry out investigations, compile results and evaluations, and present their findings as a team to the rest of the class. The pupils' co-operative skills are assessed while carrying out these activities.