

THE BARNA-BUS TRANSITIONS PROGRAM - CONFERENCE WORKSHOP PRESENTATION

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A New Leaders in Early Years Conference

The New Leaders in Early Years programme at Canterbury Christ Church University invites students and partners to be involved in this conference at our Medway Campus.

The conference is being run in partnership with one of our sponsors, OMEP, the World Organisation for Early Childhood Education.

Aim of the conference

The conference aims to:

- Showcase quality practice in early years
- Share individual stories of positive impact in the lives of children and families
- Provide networking opportunities with employers, EYFs, early years students, local authority staff and sponsors.

This is a really exciting opportunity for practitioners to share and celebrate their stories of practice in improving the outcomes for young children.

[Deliver a workshop or present a poster »](#)

Keynote Speakers »

Michael Rosen
Broadcaster, Children's Novelist and Poet

Dr Eunice Lumsden
Senior Lecturer in Early Years,
The University of Northampton

Prof Linden West
Professor of Education,
Canterbury Christ Church University

Contact us

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I was very pleased to be asked to present a workshop at the conference: *'Making a difference - Transforming early years practice'*, and to promote the new Transitions Program that developed as a result of my recent action research project, being part of my BA in Early Years Leadership.

The presentation was a great success with extremely positive feedback both on the day and subsequently from further contact by email and in person from a variety of early years professionals. This has helped to spotlight the quality of practice provided in this area by The Barna-Bus Pre-School.



The day culminated in a wonderful talk by Michael Rosen, who was kind enough to also sign a giant copy of *'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'*, and have his photo taken with his friends Barna-Bear and the Buddy Bears! The signed book will soon be auctioned on Ebay to raise money for The Barna-Bus Pre-School - we will let you know the date so you can get bidding!

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