



Edge Hill University



SOUNDING EDGE

THINKING ABOUT SINGING

Edge Hill University's first (free) Conference on Primary Music Education
Thinking About Singing – Developing Reflective Practice in Music Education

Wednesday 23rd June 2010 | 9.30 - 3.45

This year Edge Hill University is launching the first of what they hope to be a regular series of conferences, *Sounding Edge*, aimed at primary music specialists, and enthusiastic classroom teachers. The focus this year will be on singing, and, in particular, to investigate some of the really tricky questions about developing singing in school:

- singing with boys
- singing across the curriculum
- developing children's creativity through singing
- singing and vocal health

The main event will offer a series of workshops and a masterclass in which a group of young singers are taken through their paces by an experienced singing leader. The aim is to allow teachers to reflect on rehearsal practices. Delegates to the conference will be invited to sing alongside these young singers, as part of a fitting musical finale to the day. Our intention is that this will be a thoroughly enjoyable musical and reflective experience.

Current educational policy is concerned with raising teaching to a masters' level profession. As such we will also be outlining our new PG Cert in Music Education. This programme is designed to support teachers in gaining Master's level credits, through practical work and reflection, related to school based music activities. In most cases, this

will allow teachers to build on existing music practice. Working with our partners, *The Voices Foundation*, and *Sing Up*, Edge Hill is able to offer the PG Cert (Music Education) free of charge. University staff will be available on the day to provide further information to interested delegates.

Applications can be sent to Ian Shirley
at musiceducation@edgehill.ac.uk

Telephone **01695 650998** or visit
edgehill.ac.uk/soundingedge
for further information.

The conference is free of charge (including lunch)
and participants are encouraged to register asap.



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