

Resources for Teacher

Swansea College recognises the importance of having extra materials available for teaching staff and students to use. We do not feel, however, that it is necessary to build up a library of printed material when so much is accessible through the internet, or stored on our own server.

Aims

- To provide the best possible teaching materials to our teachers and students
- To keep up to date with the latest methods and techniques
- To help our staff with their CPD

Implementation

Swansea College maintain a list of resources for teachers on the staff drive and on the Google Drive We discuss resources regularly with the Teachers. Before each course, the Principal discusses the course syllabus and resources with the course teacher(s) and discuss the course in great detail. Part of this discussion will be deciding whether we have the correct resources in place and what actions to take if not. Teachers may ask the Principle to purchase software and extra materials for their course at any time.

Delivery

For use in the classroom:

We have a select library of books, photocopiable lesson plans and activities, for teachers to use or adapt when planning lessons. We make use of our resources on our servers to keep this both paperless and accessible anywhere. All members of staff are encouraged to add to this.

Our main teaching resource are the courses provided by Hodder education approved by WJEC. Teachers have access to Course textbooks and work book, we include a list of useful websites containing resources in our Teachers' Handbook, and we are a member of one-stop-english and teachit.com.

Printed/hard copies teaching resources are kept in the office and are available to borrow.

During a course, the teachers and the Principal are in regular contact and can discuss resources as part of on going course evaluation. Resources form part of this discussion, and extra resources can be sourced if need be.

Pedagogy and CPD:

As part of our CPD programme, we also provide pedagogy and methodology books and articles to enable teachers to extend their knowledge. These are kept in the office and are available to borrow. We also have a large number of articles on methodology etc kept on the teacher's drive.

We subscribe to

- Cambridge English Language Assessment newsletters
- British Council newsletters
- Future learn (online training and courses)
- Alison.com (online training and courses especially IT skills)
- Seneca
- Teach it English
- Teach it Maths
- Hodder Education
- Zig Zag Education
- Revision Buddies