

Conference Timetable:

- 9.30 - 10.30 Registration (Tea/Coffee)
- 10.30 - 11.00 Rebuilding the Irish Speaking Community
(Eoghan ó Néill)
- 11.00 - 1.00 Morning Seminars
- 1.00 - 2.00 Lunch
- 2.00 - 2.30 Racism - The Experience of Irish Children
in British Schools (E. Kelly)
- 2.30 - 4.30 Afternoon Seminars
- 4.30- 4.45 Tea/coffee
- 4.45 - 5.15 Seminar Report Backs
- 5.30 Close

Creche Details:

10.00am Creche opens (**first floor**)

1.00pm - 2.00pm Creche closes
(lunch)

5.30pm Creche closes

There will be fruit juices and biscuits for children in the creche and children's portions of lunch will be available in the main hall for £1.00. There are changing facilities in the Women's Toilet on the first floor.

Carers are asked to collect and return children promptly to the creche so that the creche workers can have a lunch break. Thanks.

Morning Seminars: 11.00am - 1.00pm

Room: HALL Floor: 6

1 **Catriona Ní Scannláin - An Ghaeilge :**

There is a growing number of Irish people in Britain anxious to keep and reclaim their language. Catriona, an Irish language teacher and community worker at the Roger Casement Irish Centre will discuss ways forward for the promotion and revival of the language in our community. (This seminar will be conducted in English so that those who do not have very much Irish can take part.)

Room: HALL Floor: 6

2 **Brian Foster - Travellers - A Right to Education:**

Irish Travellers both at home and in Britain are denied basic human and civil rights. Brian Foster has worked as a teacher with Travellers for fourteen years and is concerned that education should play a positive role in the development of Travellers' culture and their struggle for civil rights.

Room: 4 Floor: 1

3 **Ann Rossiter - Irish Women and Education in Britain:**

Many Irish children go to Catholic schools who promote the teachings of a church whose views on women are repressive. Ann Rossiter, a writer and teacher of Irish studies who has been active in Irish women's issues in London since 1972, will explore this dilemma facing Irish women and mothers.

Room: 2 Floor: 1

4 **Mike Carroll - Irish Youth - Provision for a Positive Identity:**

Mike, Youth Development Worker at the Haringey Irish Centre, will examine current provision for Irish young people and will discuss how youth workers, local authorities etc. can ensure that services are appropriate to the needs of Irish Youth.

Afternoon Seminars: 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Room: HALL Floor: 6

5 **Brigid Loughran - Anti-Irish Racism:**

Brigid, from Belfast, is an equal opportunities and positive action trainer with Hackney Council and a founder member of the Brent Irish Mental Health Forum. She will discuss positive ways of countering anti-Irish racism in the British education system.

Room: 4 Floor: 1

6 **Maude Casey - Our Censored Voice:**

Maude will explore issues around censorship and self-censorship, drawing on her own experiences as a writer, teacher and second generation Irish woman.

Room: 2 Floor: 1

7 **Alan Clinton - Irish History:**

Alan, a history teacher and deputy leader of Islington Council was involved in the setting up of the Irish Studies Unit at the PNL. He will discuss Irish history in the school curriculum in Britain and current trends in Irish historical writing.

Room: HALL Floor: 6

8 **Siobhán Uí Néill - An Ghaeilge:**

Tá Siobhán ag obair i Londain ar son na Gaeilge leis na blianta anois. Tá clú agus cáil uirthi mar mhúinteoir den chéad scoth agus tá an cháil sin tuillte aici mar is léir ón mhéid daoine a spreag sí chun an Ghaeilge a fhoghlaim. Beidh Siobhán ag labhairt faoi stáid na Gaeilge sa lá atá inniu ann agus céard tá i ndán di.