



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2024

COMING UP

MASTERCLASS



Our FREE masterclass for September will be hosted by Andrea Uhl and Jessica Humble-Crofts.

REGISTER

POWER OF PLAY



4-Week Online Course for Early Years educators of 3 to 8-year-olds starting on October 21st, 2024.

REGISTER

WORKSHOP - NZ



Join Rachel French in Masterton, Oct 25 & 26 for a 2-day workshop. Early Bird ends Sept 30.

REGISTER

CBI IN ACTION



Our foundational 8-week course, Concept-Based Inquiry in Action begins September 30.

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INTEGRATED CURRICULUM



4-week online course for K-12 Educators beginning on Monday, 14th October 2024.

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CBI IN SCIENCE



4-week online course for Science educators beginning on 7th October 2024.

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Aug/Sept Events

SEPTEMBER MASTERCLASS

**Making Science Concepts Stick:
From Lists to Learning**

September 8

THE CBI MATHEMATICS PROJECT

Pilot Program

Registrations OPEN.

ERICKSON & LANNING CBI

TRAINER CERTIFICATION

INSTITUTE

2025 applications are now open.

EARLY BIRD PRICING FOR

OCTOBER COURSES ENDS.

**A Message from Rachel**

As we embark on another exciting school year, I want to extend a warm welcome to each of you!

This is a time of renewed energy, fresh opportunities, and the chance to make a meaningful impact in the lives of our students.

This year, we will continue to build on our successes, embrace new challenges, and work together to achieve our shared goals. Whether you are returning or joining us for the first time, know that your contributions are vital to our collective success.

As we move forward, let's keep the spirit of collaboration, creativity, and compassion at the forefront of everything we do. Together, we can create a transformative educational experience for our students!

Rachel

At PLI, communication is the cornerstone of our success. Our monthly newsletter is designed to keep you informed, inspired, and connected with the latest developments within PLI and beyond. This ensures that you are always in the loop, whether it's about upcoming events, important announcements, or the innovative ideas driving our projects forward.

Each month, we will feature insights from across our team, highlights of our achievements, and a glimpse into what's on the horizon. We'll also share tips, stories, and resources to help you continue growing both personally and professionally.

Your input and engagement are crucial to making this newsletter a valuable resource. We encourage you to share your ideas, accomplishments, and any topics you'd like to see covered in future editions. Together, we can create a vibrant and dynamic platform that reflects the spirit of our organization and mission - to transform education.

Feel free to reach out to us at admin@prolearnint.com

We look forward to the exciting times ahead in this academic year and to celebrating our collective achievements through this newsletter.

Please be sure to take advantage of the Early Bird pricing specials for all of our September/October start courses —significant savings can be made if you register during this period. This is an excellent opportunity to invest in your professional development at a lower cost.

As always, we have a wealth of resources designed to support and inspire you. Join our free monthly masterclasses, where leading educators share insights and strategies for transforming teaching practices.

Don't forget we still have a €1 trial offer for your a month in our membership program - The CBI Collaborative - to receive all the ongoing support and feedback you need alongside EVERY one of our courses to pursue at your own pace!

Transforming education starts with you...

REGISTER NOW FOR OUR
SEPTEMBER
MASTERCLASS



**Making Science Concepts Stick:
From Lists to Learning**

Andrea Uhl and Jessica Humble-Crofts will present our FREE Masterclass this month, which will be hosted by Rachel French on **September 8th at 07.00 AM UTC**.

This masterclass is designed to show educators how to bring life to the concepts that are traditionally lost on vocabulary lists. They will explore how to support students in creating meaning for important subject-specific concepts, especially in science.

This 60-minute class will explore:

HOW CAN I SUPPORT STUDENTS IN BUILDING UNDERSTANDING OF INDIVIDUAL CONCEPTS?

Traditionally, students memorize vocabulary lists out of context. Recognizing important vocabulary terms as concepts and providing time for meaning-making allows students to truly understand important science-specific concepts.

WHAT IS CONCEPT FORMATION? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

In this masterclass, various strategies will be shared, enabling educators to begin concept formation in their classes immediately.

WHEN IN A UNIT, SHOULD I FOCUS ON CONCEPT FORMATION?

The time for concept formation varies greatly depending on the context and how abstract the concepts are. Taking time to consider which concepts to develop early in a unit versus later, and which case studies to use, will enhance the flow of your unit.

REGISTER NOW!

REGISTER NOW FOR OUR UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Introduction to Concept-Based Inquiry with Rachel French

Join Rachel French at Hadlow Preparatory School, Masterton, New Zealand, **October 25-26, 2024.**

An intensive 2-day workshop for Primary and Secondary teachers and School Leaders committed to implementing a Concept-Based approach. This workshop has practical strategies that invite you to rethink the unit design process.

The Hadlow Difference:

'Making a positive difference in the world through personal excellence, service, and hauora'.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
- INTERNATIONAL -

INTRODUCTION TO
CONCEPT-BASED
INQUIRY

2-DAY WORKSHOP

WITH RACHEL FRENCH

DATES
25-26 OF OCTOBER
2024

WHERE
HADLOW PREPARATORY
MASTERTON, NEW ZEALAND

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2-day Workshop Concept-Based Inquiry in Action

Hosted by
Chadwick International
Yeonsu-Gu, Incheon,
South Korea

NOVEMBER 16-17, 2024

REGISTER NOW

PRESENTED BY
RACHEL FRENCH



Unlock the power of a Concept-Based Inquiry approach with Rachel French & Grace Shin

Join Rachel French and Grace Shin at Chadwick International, Yeonsu-Gu, Incheon, South Korea, **November 16-17, 2024.**

An intensive 2-day workshop for Teachers and School Leaders committed to implementing a Concept-Based approach. This workshop has practical strategies that invite you to rethink the unit design process.

About Chadwick International:

Chadwick Schools is deeply committed to self-discovery through experience and reflection. Through interactive and practical experiences, students develop the joy of learning, self-confidence, well-being, and curiosity.

REGISTER NOW!

THE LEARNING LOUNGE



EPISODE 11 OF THE LEARNING LOUNGE: LEADING CHANGE - A SCHOOLWIDE APPROACH

In this episode, Rachel French, Manju Nair, Melissa Graham, and Eugene Low delve into school leadership and their strategic implementation of a Concept-Based Inquiry approach. Together, they explore the significant shifts in their schools that have created more rigor and intent in curriculum design and student understanding.

[WATCH IT NOW!](#)

EARLY BIRD PRICING ON OCTOBER COURSES ENDS SOON

Concept-Based Inquiry in Action, facilitated by Rachel French - begins September 30, 2024.

Unlock the power of a Concept-Based Inquiry approach in this foundational course, which is filled with practical strategies that invite you to rethink the unit design process.

Early Bird ends August 30.

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Building Scientific Understanding: With A CBI Approach, facilitated by Jessica Humble-Crofts & Andrea Uhl - begins October 7, 2024.

This course will provide a special look at leveraging the power of concepts in scientific exploration and how practical labs and hands-on learning play a vital role in every Concept-Based Inquiry Science classroom.

Early Bird ends September 7.

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Mastering the Art of Integrating Curriculum with a CBI Approach, facilitated by Rasha El-Haggan, beginning October 14.

Master the art of designing and writing integrated units using a Concept-Based Inquiry approach, ensuring seamless learning transfer across disciplines.

Early Bird ends September 14.

[REGISTER NOW >>](#)



The Power of Play: International Conversations, facilitated by Dr. Jo Fahey - begins October 21st, 2024.

Explore the latest research into the benefits of play and its powerful implications for your own learning environment with insights from leading educators worldwide.

Early Bird ends September 21.

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2025-2026

THE ERICKSON AND LANNING CBCI TRAINER CERTIFICATION

BEGINNING ON AUGUST 16TH, 2025

As a certified Erickson and Lanning Concept-Based Curriculum and Instruction (CBCI) Trainer, the opportunities for growth are endless, as are the ways in which you can integrate the certification into your specific career focus.

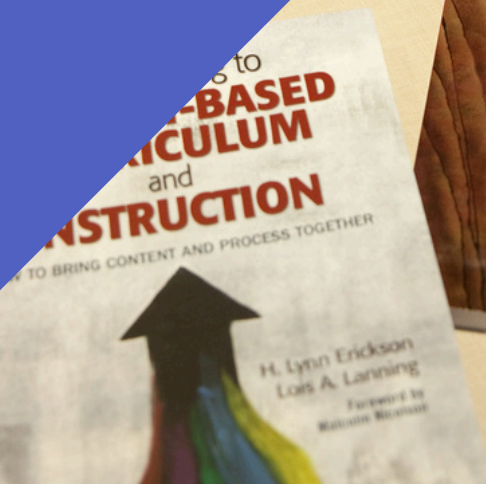
Whether you plan to lead workshops, coach teachers or utilise the learning in your classroom, by joining an expanding group of thought leaders, focused on transforming education, together... we can change the world.

The Erickson and Lanning CBCI Trainer Certification is a 12-month online program designed to:

- Develop a deep understanding of Concept-Based Curriculum and Instruction so that you can fluently and confidently explain the principles to others.
- Provide you with practice crafting clear generalizations or conceptual understandings so you can confidently lead curriculum design.
- Create opportunities to coach others to write generalizations beyond your area of expertise so you can support both the high school math teachers AND the kindergarten team.
- Deconstruct lessons so that you can design your own learning experiences that empower students to think conceptually.
- Provide you with a bank of resources to create a coherent and logical presentation suited to the needs of your particular audience.



APPLY NOW





THE CONCEPT-BASED INQUIRY

- MATHEMATICS PROJECT -

PILOT PROGRAM



Specifically designed for elementary teachers and schools who want to master a Concept-Based Inquiry approach to mathematics, The CBI Mathematics Project is a full, comprehensive mathematics curriculum that empowers students to become confident problem-solvers within and beyond the classroom.

Does this sound familiar:

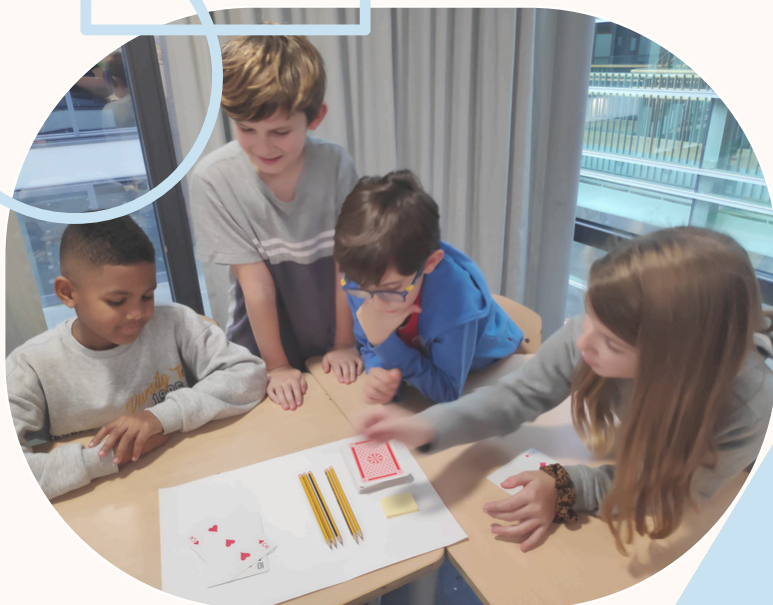
- Your school lacks a cohesive mathematics curriculum, so you have to rely on resources you've used in the past, while your students have to bridge the gaps between different teaching approaches
- Your school ditched textbooks in favor of Concept-Based Inquiry, but now it's every teacher for themselves in the creative struggle to create engaging mathematics lessons or find resources online
- Working on your units of inquiry, you've seen the power of using questions to help students build conceptual understanding—but designing conceptual *mathematics* units still feels daunting
- Your budding mathematicians are engaged, but you still feel like their understanding is on shaky foundations, wavering every time you try to build on previous lessons
- Those lightbulb moments that pop up in class—when students really *get it*—are exciting, but you have no idea how to ensure they happen *consistently* in your mathematics classes

A complete mathematics curriculum.
Including:

Full Scope and Sequence
Learning Engagements
Strategy Talks
Stretch and Support options
Pre-assessments
Orientation and onboarding



THE PROGRAM THAT BRINGS MATHEMATICS TO LIFE



- Save yourself hours of planning—we've designed units for you so you can focus on teaching
- Help your students understand mathematics so they can retain and build on previous lessons
- Empower students to see patterns, so they can use mathematics to solve real-world problems
- Experience consistent—almost predictable—aha moments in your mathematics class

THIS IS PERFECT FOR YOU IF...

- You're passionate about Concept-Based Inquiry but don't know where to start with mathematics
- You're ready to shortcut the curriculum design process so you can focus on implementation
- You want students to understand mathematics, so they can apply their learnings in real life
- You want your students to feel confident with the mathematics foundation they need to succeed
- You wish your students would remember what they learn, so you could stop reteaching it
- You want to feel less stressed out and more confident in teaching mathematics

As a pilot educator, you'll be the first in the world to experience our revolutionary approach to mathematics!

FIND OUT MORE