How schools can support each other to model success

Cambridge School Communities

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Getting to know each other

- Speak to at least two people you do not know in the room.

- Share:
  - Two things you are proud of about your school.
  - An example of a professional community you are currently part of.
  - As an educator what would you want your legacy to be.
The Why

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Customer Support 24x7

- Share ideas
- Exchange contacts
- Roice frustrations
- Understanding assessments/exam schedule/time table

- Discussion forums not effective
- Improve writing (English)
- Reading (meet resources)
- Flow in science (spiral) missing
- Progression in syllabus + assessment

- Subject expert (CE)

- Clarity
- Direction
- Confidence
- Up to date
- Quality
- Training events
- Opportunities for practicals

Actions

- PK sends summary to school heads
- Next Meet at Ilma - mid Sept
- Agenda from Ilma - for inputs from all
- Cambridge Community Meet 2
- Addressing local issues
- Shared solutions
Our Journey

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Ideation

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Brainstorming

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Building our network

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Collaborating happily!

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Communities established in South Asia

- Jan 2015: First focus group discussion in Chennai
- April 2016: Pune
- June 2016: Bangalore
- July 2016: Punjab, Rajasthan
- November 2016: Delhi-NCR, Hyderabad
- Feb 2017: Bangladesh
- April 2017: Uttarakhand, UP
- June 2017: Sri Lanka
- April 2018: Nepal, Kerala
What have the Communities been up to?

- Inter-school student events
- Mentoring
- Refresher training for Exams Officers
- Common practice papers
- Subject communities
- Developing school leaders
Cambridge School Communities, Pakistan

Update:

- 10 meetings held since January 2018. The Chairs of all nine communities had face to face meeting in Lahore in April 2018 to share best practices and ideas.
- A Whatsapp group of all nine Chairs has been created.
- Most communities have active Whatsapp groups.
- Subject Network Groups launched from Communities’ platforms (over 300 teachers attended).

Challenges:

- Although all communities are actively engaged on Whatsapp groups, active collaboration and sharing of best practices is not taking place.
- Some communities have PD sessions for teachers but finding it challenging to make it consistent.
Hear it from them
What next?
Let’s think together ...

Brainstorm
• In your small groups consider ways in which Cambridge can support a virtual Cambridge Schools Community

Share
• The one BIG idea that emerges
Thank you