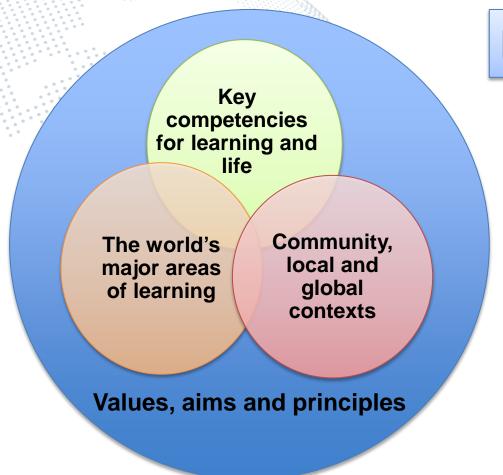








#### A World Class Curriculum



Four Domains

Ten World Class Curriculum Principles



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- ...is exciting and focuses on intellectual, physical, emotional, social, scientific, aesthetic and creative development?
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- ...includes the branches of learning and subjects?
- ...highlights interconnections and their relevance to life, global issues and world events?
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- ...is relevant to each learner's life, to local communities, and to national and international?
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Improve what we've got

## Blue sky

Start from scratch

# World Class Curriculum



#### What do young people need to succeed in the 21st century?



How would you describe a young person who is equipped for life?



What does this tell us about what we want for our learners in terms of....

...knowledge?

...values?

...what they can do?

Is this all subject knowledge or is there other knowledge? How to describe it?

Can we produce a list of values we want our learners to have?

Can we produce a list of competences? Skills?

What does this exercise tell us about the overall aims of our curriculum?



#### Aims

#### To develop learners as....

- Patriotic and responsible citizens, ready to play a full part in society
- Confident and self-reliant people, ready to take their place in the labour market
- Successful life-long learners, ready to adapt to new situations, and be agents of change
- Creative and innovative individuals who are curious, adaptive and productive



#### Principles

#### The curriculum should provide....

- ... a culture of excellence that supports innovation, creativity, effectiveness and continuous improvement
- ... an environment of empowerment that promotes independence, individual learning, critical thinking, problem-solving and emotional intelligence
- ... a context of heritage and culture that builds national pride and identity within an understanding of global citizenship
- ... a spirit of hope, respect, peace, reconciliation, unity and national pride, democracy and global understanding



### **Curriculum Aims and Principles**

Aims: What do we want to achieve?

1.

2.

3

Principles that curriculum designers must be guided by.

1.

2.

3.



### Subjects and Cross-cutting Issues

'intellectual, physical, emotional, social, scientific, aesthetic and creative development'

'world's major branches of learning and subjects'

#### Which subjects at:

- 1. Pre-primary?
  - Developmental / play / taught? Literacy? Numeracy?
- 2. Lower Primary?
- 3. Upper Primary?
- 4. High School?

Compulsory / options / electives?

What learning that does not align with a subject? Cross-cutting Issues?



| Phase         | Subjects  Development / Subject Areas or Subjects | Cross-cutting Issues |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Pre-primary   |                                                   |                      |
| Lower primary |                                                   |                      |
| Upper primary |                                                   |                      |
| High School   |                                                   |                      |



### Language of Learning and Languages

What should be the policy regarding the language of learning?

If there is a change of language of learning for some learners, when should this happen and how?

Which foreign language(s) should be learned and at what ages?



### Culture and Heritage

- National?
- Regional?
- Local?
- What elements fit naturally into subject syllabuses at national level?
- What elements need to be included in the curriculum another way? How?





### Languages / Culture and Heritage

- What should the policy be regarding language of learning?
- Which foreign languages should be taught and when?

- What are the key elements of culture and heritage (local, regional and national) that should be built into the curriculum?
- How can they be fitted in?



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## Have we built the skeleton of a World Class Curriculum?

Thank you for participating in the workshop

