

Research Informed Schools

2023-2024 Executive Report

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Highlights from this year

- We welcomed **Hermione Paddle**, Bavarian International School, to the SIG.
- We started a LinkedIn page - and regularly posted - for the SIG.
- We presented at the ECIS April conference in Windsor
- We began offering **free webinars** through ECIS Events (thank you, Aby, for all the organization and Sarah for attending every possible one you could). Our presenters were either Leysin American School (Paul's school) visiting scholars (guests who do not work at LAS) or resident scholars (teachers doing action research as long term professional development). We will continue this program in 2024-2025 and are very grateful to ECIS for making this opportunity so easy to access.
- **Kam Chohan visited LAS as a visiting scholar** and we have tentatively begun a few collaborations (stay tuned). The main collaboration for this SIG is:
 - **a blended conference/unconference** hosted by the SIG and ECIS at a school in the 2024-2025 or possibly one year later. The proposal is for a Friday/Saturday conference where Friday is largely an open house at a school that is in session, with visitors in and out of classrooms, discussing what they are seeing at coffee/tea stations. Visitors would select one of the available themes of interest to them, select the right color name badge, and then engage in observations and discussion during the day. Friday late afternoon the visitors take part in a short exercise to "claim" conference session spots on Saturday morning, presenting their take on the theme they chose and what they have seen in the school. Teachers of the host school are invited to participate for free on Saturday morning.

The committee would like to thank Sarah Kupke, Aby Canright, Joanne Whitson, Kam Chohan, and the entire team at ECIS for all the opportunities throughout the year. We're looking forward to 2024-2025.

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