

DIGITAL SPOKES

We are delighted that, as part of our South of Scotland Digital Skills and Learning Network, your school has been selected to be a digital spoke in the first phase of rolling out digital delivery across Dumfries and Galloway.

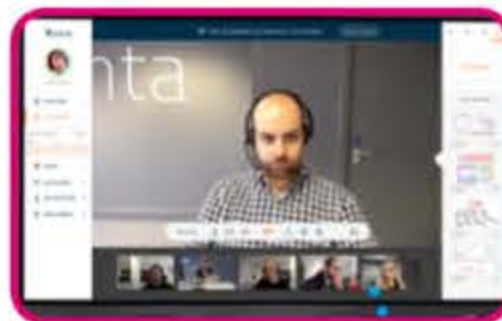
This forms part of a bigger development which will see us working closely with colleagues at Borders College to mirror the rollout within schools with Borders Council as well. Five local authority teaching spaces will have the latest collaborative technology installed by August 2019 and the same number by August 2020 within D&G alone.

This exciting project is the beginning for Dumfries and Galloway, ensuring all members of the community have equal access to learning and will allow us to overcome some challenges we currently face due to the rurality of the region.

Learning will take place using the latest digital technologies in a location which is more accessible, and it will allow curriculum which may have previously not been available to be accessed.

What does it mean for your school and pupils?

- Your school will have the latest kit installed in a selected classroom including 86in touchscreen, state of the art video conferencing and a combined sound bar/microphone system
- Read more on the equipment - <http://bit.ly/2VRoNvg>
- You will be gifted a bank of portable devices and charging unit
- You will be able to connect with Hubs in Dumfries and Galloway College, Borders College and other schools who are spokes across the South of Scotland
- Access to V-Scene online collaboration platform – this platform can be timetabled so the kit is active and ready use for when the class begins
- Connect to any tablet/device with internet connection around the world to receive or deliver learning



- Installation of the equipment will not detract from current teaching / training space in class rooms

What you need to do?

Identify a classroom with:

- Reinforced wall, suitable to replace any current promethean
- Capacity of 20+ approximately
- Superfast internet connection
- Location for camera, sound bar and microphone
- Allow access for approximate ½ day for installation



Next steps:

- Agree a timeline for installation
- Provide training on how to use the new kit
- Agree pilot sessions during academic year 19/20
- D&G College will liaise to arrange media photographs (Representatives from School, pupils, Parent teacher council and D&G College would be ideal)

We look forward to working with you as we progress through this project and watch learning develop into a new era within our region.

For more information on Digital Spokes or installation, please contact:

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To see a walk through of the new Digital Learning Hub at our Dumfries Campus, follow this link.

<http://bit.ly/2FyalKg>

To see a walk through of the new Digital Learning Hub at our Stranraer Campus, follow this link.

<http://bit.ly/2TKoGxx>



CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Digital and online learning experience and expertise
- Cultural change required within colleges and with partners
- Engagement with and managing expectations of key stakeholders
- Capacity – collaborative approaches
- Future structure to ensure sustainable progress