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SIR PAUL CALLAGHAN science academy

forging excellence in science teaching



Participants Enjoyment and Learning

How much did you enjoy the Academy experience?



How much did you learn from the sessions?



How much did you learn from other alumni?



Heaps A lot A fair amount Some A little

The teachers said...

“If you want to develop curiosity in your students and hear them go "Wow!" Science Academy is for you!

“The academy opened my eyes to a whole new way of thinking.

“The academy was life-changing. I go back to my job seeing it through new eyes, seeing it as a career. I now feel like I have a new focus, enthusiasm and valuable skills I can share with colleagues.

“The academy promotes collaboration between teachers and I learnt so much from the sessions and the other academy members. Every aspect of an excellent science programme was covered. We were given practical ideas to implement in our classroom.

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“YOU DON'T NEED TO TEACH A CHILD CURIOSITY curiosity is innate YOU JUST HAVE TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO SQUASH IT. THIS IS THE CHALLENGE FOR THE TEACHER TO FOSTER & GUIDE THAT CURIOSITY SIR PAUL CALLAGHAN

Success again for the Sir Paul Callaghan Science Academy!

Teachers from Auckland, Taranaki and Manawatu intermediate and primary schools participated in the 2013 Sir Paul Callaghan Science Academy, honing their skills and approaches to teaching science.

These teachers, now members of an expanding Alumni group of the Sir Paul Callaghan Science Academy (the Academy) were overwhelmingly positive and excited about their experiences. In particular they liked the:

- ease by which science can be taught with everyday materials
- diversity of workshops and presentations
- accessibility and appropriateness of the content and its hands-on delivery
- shift in thinking they achieved, especially with respect to the nature of science
- professionalism and enthusiasm of the Academy faculty
- live-in situation that allowed complete focus on learning
- collegial and sharing atmosphere
- ongoing support and the enriched network they are now part of.



Resoundingly, alumni said they will be making positive changes to their current science teaching practices and hope to continue their involvement as Alumni of the Academy. And, 100% of respondents said they would recommend the Academy to a colleague.

