

**Blackburn and Darwen**  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2012, 9.15-3pm, at

**Blackburn Enterprise Centre, Furthergate, Blackburn, BB1 3HQ**

Primary Headteachers, members of SLT and key staff are invited to attend a day with  
**Gary Wilson**

**BREAKING DOWN THE BARRIERS: RAISING BOYS' ACHIEVEMENT**

I would like to invite you to join me from 9.15-3pm on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012 to reflect on what it takes to break down the barriers and raise boys' achievement and how this might have implications for your own school.

The session, sponsored by **Oxford University Press** and organised by **School Development Service, Blackburn with Darwen**, offers the opportunity to attend a free day of professional development (there will be a nominal charge of £30 per delegate to cover venue and light lunch)

- ❖ Achievement setting the context
- ❖ Breaking through the barriers to boys achievement in literacy
- ❖ Effective strategies for breaking through other barriers to boys achievement

Numbers will be limited to 3 delegates per school so please book early – please register by completing the booking form by 1st June 2012 (fax to 01254 666479)

Thank you, I will look forward to meeting you.

With Best Wishes

**Gary Wilson** (*Independent Literacy Consultant*)



*Gary is a freelance consultant who talks about tracing under achievement from Pre School to 16 and what we can do to prevent it. He explains about how to interact with boys to optimise learning and overcoming barriers to achievement.*

*Gary has been a teacher for 26 years in Huddersfield and has spent a great deal of that career specializing in raising boys' achievement. He is a fantastic speaker – providing his audience with real tried and tested methods to break the boundaries of boys' under achievement and bring about significant whole school improvement. He is the author of several books on the subject and is used extensively by several LAs and organisations to implement his ideas on closing the gender gap.*

For further information please go to [www.garywilsonraisingboysachievement.co.uk](http://www.garywilsonraisingboysachievement.co.uk)

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