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Leadership at all Levels

The Public Leadership Challenge: Lesson for School Leaders and Governors A masterclass by Professor Keith Grint

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The Public Leadership Challenge: Lesson for School Leaders and Governors

A dominant theme pervading the leadership literature across the public sector is that of the importance of collective leadership. The central tenet here is that of leaders across sectors working together to "improving the lives of communities. In schools, this idea framed as "distributed leadership" has been well addressed by the work of Prof James Spillane, Prof Andrew Hargreaves and Prof Alma Harris, amongst others and is now seen as a key attribute for developing system wide improvement. It attracted further attention in the recent book on Uplifting Leadership; how organisations, teams and communities raise performance by Hargreaves, Boyle and Harris (2014). What is the role of leaders and how can they develop greater capabilities at asking intelligent questions for tackling "wicked issues"?

In this masterclass Prof Keith Grint, a leading scholar and researcher on Leadership, will focus on 3 key themes as follows:

1. Leadership is vital; it is the most difficult and vital for wicked problems but we also need "management."

2. The culture of the organization is usually configured to facilitate the resolution of Tame and Critical Problems but often runs contrary to what is necessary for addressing Wicked Problems.

3. Wicked Problems require Clumsy Solutions that require cross-cultural responses



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He has published extensively on the subject of Leadership and his numerous authored and co-authored books include: "The Sage handbook of leadership" London (2011) , "Leadership" Los Angeles, Calif. ; London (2011), "Leadership: a very short introduction" Oxford; New York (2010), "The new public leadership challenge" Houndmills, Basingstoke, Hampshire ; New York (2010).

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