

# **MEET THE PROWISE ADVOCATES!**

Adapting to new hardware and software is not always easy. To help you utilise your new Prowise touchscreen to its full potential, share ideas and good practice of using digital technology and resources in your classroom, we would like to introduce you to the Prowise Advocates. They are here to help you with whatever questions you might have.



#### **ANDY TOUGH**

Hello, my name is Andy Tough, I am currently Acting Depute Head Teacher at Northmuir Primary School in Kirriemuir. I have been teaching in primary schools for 18 years (3 years as ICT staff tutor) with 13 years prior experience in higher education leading learning in/through scientific research and development. Unsurprisingly, I have an interest in all things STEM particularly as a creative force in communicating and solving real-world problems.

Turning to Presenter, I particularly like the clean user interface, interactives, cross-platform support and webbased alternative that allows access from any operating system with a web browser. The 'All-in-One lift' that permits greater accessibility and encourages pupil-led learning is also a highlight for those lucky enough to have one. Consequently, as a Prowise Advocate, I am keen to explore the application of Prowise solutions across platforms and sites in support of collaborative learning and teaching for pupils and colleagues alike.



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## **CATRIONA THOMSON**

I'm Catriona and I am an ASN teacher in the Resource Base at Langlands Primary. I have been working with children with Special Needs for over 10 years now and never stop being amazed at the incredible things these children achieve. I believe strongly in inclusion and interactive technology such as the Prowise board, which allows this to happen. I am looking forward to creating my own resources with Prowise Presenter as it is often difficult to find material that exactly meets the needs of my children. I am also excited about the new developments planned for the Prowise Presenter software.

Outside of work, I am passionate about yoga and my latest crazy ventures in this field include aerial yoga and yoga on top of surfboards! I enjoy travelling to Greece in the summer and going skiing in the winter. I look forward to sharing Prowise ideas across the region.

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#### **ASHLEY HOLMES**

My name is Ashley Holmes and I currently work at Inverbrothock Primary in Arbroath. I have been teaching for four years and I currently have primary two. I enjoy using digital technology to enhance learning and teaching in my classroom, I use a variety of iPad apps alongside our Prowise screen in different areas of the curriculum. My favourite thing about the Prowise Presenter software is the preloaded educational games. I know I can put the games on the board and let the children learn in an interactive and fun way. They especially enjoy the "word wheel" in literacy where they race each other to spell words and the "sequence train" in maths where they have to put the numbered bugs in the correct order. I like that the difficulty rating can be changed to include everyone in the game.



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### **JUDITH CONNOR**

I am Judith Connor, DHT at Woodlands Primary in Carnoustie. I have been teaching for 25 years which includes 2 years as ICT staff tutor. I am a self confessed IT 'geek' have always enjoyed gaming and ensured I had a nintendo DS and Wii to enable me to 'research' games the children may be playing.

In my free time I enjoy papercrafting and love to walk the mountains and countryside of Scotland. Presenter enables lessons to be interactive, it works along the same lines as other software I have used, keeping the best bits and is intuitive in its use. The touchscreen is very simple to use and the screens are very bright. I love the Touch Table tools and am excited to see ProConnect in action.

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#### **JENNY ROULSTON**

I am Jenny Roulston, class teacher at Seaview Primary in Monifieth and have been teaching for 13 years. I am a digital technology enthusiast who loves to use technology both inside and outside of the classroom. I grew up with computer games, loving how games had aspects of storytelling, art and music all wrapped up in a layer of interactivity. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family and going out for a run or a cycle.

I love how quickly and easily you can create lessons using the Prowise Software. The screens are extremely accessible to all students and the touch screen makes it fun and interactive. My class have enjoyed exploring the Presenter software and especially like using the Touch Table tools and Monkey Swing with ProConnect.

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### **SHARON STEWART**

My name is Sharon Stewart. I presently teach Primary 6/7 at Liff Primary School, but am moving to Primary 4 next session. I have been teaching for about 15 years and have been at my present school for 5 years. I am especially interested in digital technologies, outdoor learning and maths. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, eating out and spending time with my family. I am enjoying using ProConnect with my class and am currently exploring how to create my own content and resources using the Prowise toolbox.

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#### **ABBY ADAMSON**

Hello! My name is Abby Adamson and I'm currently teaching Primary 7 at Langlands Primary School. I have been teaching for 3 years now. I was really excited about the Prowise boards and Presenter software since the first demonstration at my school. I enjoy any opportunity to be creative and Presenter makes it easy to make my lessons look good! My class love using the board and interacting with the software. I am looking forward to learning how to use it better to increase engagement in my class. Outside of school I probably spend too much time doing school-related things! I really enjoy cooking and some baking when I get a chance too.

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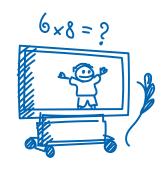


### **MARTIN MILLOY**

My name is Martin Milloy and I am currently the Depute Head Teacher of Lochside Primary School in Montrose. I have been at Lochside for 17 years where I first arrived as a fresh faced probationer. After 10 years in the classroom I took my first steps into management as Principal Teacher at Lochside and then in 2013 I took on the role as Depute Head Teacher. In the past five years I have had two spells as Acting Head Teacher. I was fortunate enough during my classroom career to teach a variety of stages but my personal preference was always working with Primary 7.

In my spare time I try to keep active enjoying long walks with the family and our two dogs. I am also a coach with Montrose Youth Football and currently assist with the 2007 year group. My real passion lies in writing and last year I fulfilled a lifelong dream in having my first novel published. I have always loved technology since being gifted my first computer on my 7th birthday back in 1985. I am delighted to be a Prowise advocate and am constantly amazed at how they keep pushing the limits of their tech. It is safe to say that a lot has changed since 1985!

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