

RE-IMAGINING THE SELF-MANAGING SCHOOL

Introducing a new publication by Professor Brian J. Caldwell

Re-imagining the Self-Managing School was published in England by the Specialist Schools Trust in November 2004.

The opening lines of the publication declare that it is time to re-imagine the self-managing school given that the best practice in self-management has outstripped the original concept and that nations around the world are now pursuing a transformation agenda.

The writer was co-author of three books on the self-managing school that helped shape developments in several nations, namely *The Self-Managing School* (Caldwell and Spinks, 1988); *Leading the Self-Managing School* (Caldwell and Spinks, 1992); and *Beyond the Self-Managing School* (Caldwell and Spinks, 1998).

Foreword

The Foreword to *Re-imagining the Self-Managing School* is by Professor Michael Barber, Head of the Prime Minister's Delivery Unit in London.

Chapters

Chapter 1	The challenge to re-imagine
Chapter 2	Significant, systematic and sustained
Chapter 3	Synergy
Chapter 4	Sagacity
Chapter 5	The new image of the self-managing school

Key themes

At the heart of the case for re-imagination is that henceforth the unit of organisation is the student – not the classroom, not the school and not the system – and that the self in self-management is the student. The central theme is that self-management as conceived anew is critical to success in schools, whatever form they may take, in the early years of the 21st century.

Several of the key themes in *Re-imagining the Self-Managing School* are addressed in a presentation delivered in late November in Hull and Lincolnshire entitled 'The Challenge to Re-imagine the Self-Managing School' A copy may be downloaded from the Publications section of Educational Transformations website at www.educationaltransformations.com.au.

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