

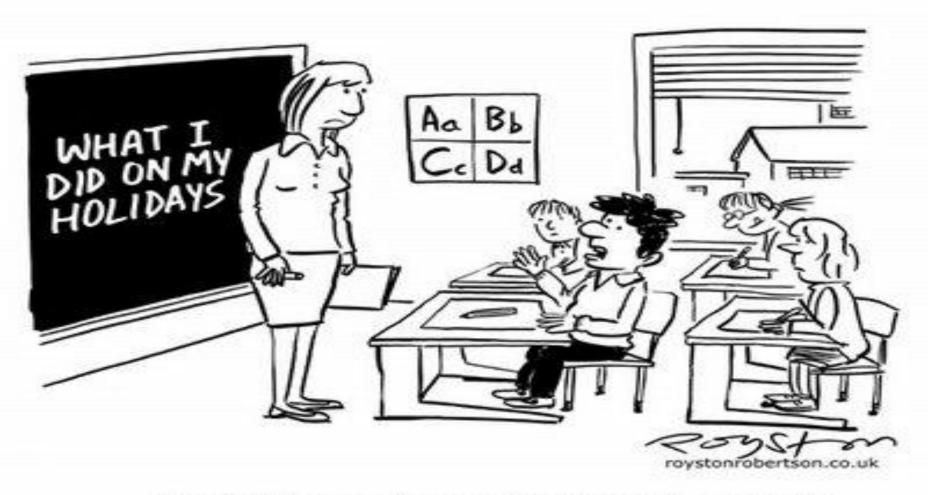
The Principal Blogger: Making Global Connections to Improve Classroom Instruction and Student Achievement

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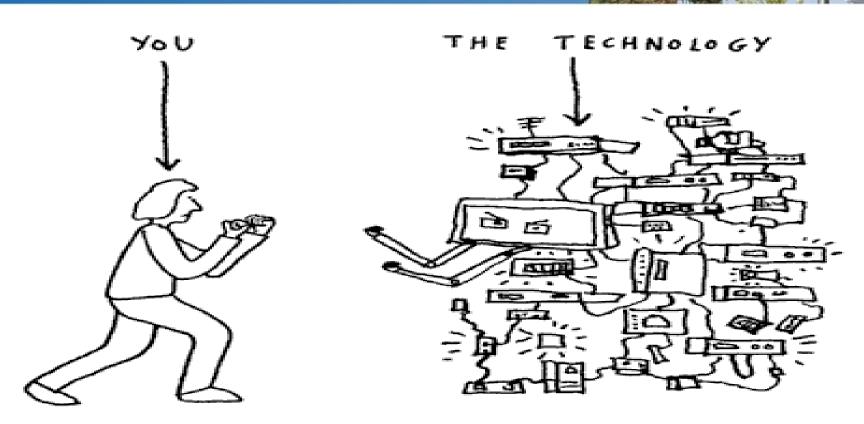
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"Can't I just email you a link to my blog, Miss?"







#### THE BATTLE WE ALL FACE



- Connect with other Exemplary Educators from around the world
- Provide "anyone, anytime, anywhere" access to important school information
- Public Relations/Celebrate Accomplishments
- Free, Easy, Quick, Green, 21st Century



- Professional Development for you and your staff
- Helps meet NETS standards
- Improve teacher effectiveness
- Improve student achievement



- All important reminders
- Links to articles/information
- Upcoming events/birthdays
- Motivational Quotes
- Recap & Resources from Professional Development
- Review of school events
- Celebrate accomplishments
- Reward excellence

## Advantages of blog format



- Permanently available
- Reverse order for the school year
- Can be viewed anywhere
- Can post writing, video, podcasts, any media format
- Allows for collaboration and sharing of ideas in your community and in the world!

## To sum up the whys.....





http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=04Mc14gHrWs&feature=related



- Principal Eric Sheninger and Professional Learning Network Blog
- We Principal Blog
- Burlington High School Principal's Blog
- PHS Principal Blog
- The Principal and Interest
- Raymond L. Young School
- The Tiger Principal
- Eaton Blog
- Eaton Educational Insights



- ✓ Decide your purpose(s)
- ✓ Decide on your platform many to choose from
- ✓ Set up an account and write!

Edublogs	www.edublogs.org
Blogger	http://www.blogger.com/home
Weebly	http://www.weebly.com/
WordPress	www.wordpress.com
Teacher Lingo	http://www.teacherlingo.com/
Class Press	http://www.classpress.com/
Blogs for Teachers	http://blogsforteachers.info/

## Edublogs



## **Step-by Step Edublogs Tutorial**

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# Creating a Professional Learning Network



- Search and locate other education blogs that interest you
- Tutorial Setting up a blog reader using RSS

Google	www.google.com/reader
Bloglines	www.bloglines.com
Newsgator	www.newsgator.com

### What Comes Next?

- Post what you know, do, and learn about
- Re-post/Link to what others know, do and learn about
- Teach what you know to your staff and colleagues
- Encourage staff and students to blog

Blogging: It's Elementary



- To grow and extend your Professional Learning Network, try Twitter.
- Micro-blogging 140 characters or less
- Do it on your mobile phone
- Try #edchats on Tuesday evenings
- Set up a school Twitter account

**Twitter** 



- Getting Started with Edublogs
- The Top 200 Education Blogs
- Weblogs in Schools
- <u>5 Essential Tech Tools for Administrators:</u>
   Education World
- Why You Need a PLN
- Links to School Bloggers



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