

# News Round

## EDUCATION FOR INTERNATIONAL MINDEDNESS

In early October 2004 the 'Education for International Mindedness' conference will take place in Düsseldorf. Organised under the auspices of the growing 'Alliance for International Education', and following in the footsteps of the successful Geneva September 2002 conference, the Düsseldorf conference will be based on seven strands and promises a stimulating and enjoyable few days of debate (see poster on back cover of this newsletter for further details).

Mary Hayden and Jeff Thompson have been closely involved in drawing up the conference programme and liaising with other conference organisers: in particular, Beatrice Larose from the International School of Düsseldorf, Terry Haywood from the International School of Milan and Prof Jack Levy from George Mason University USA.

Jeff Thompson will chair the conference, and other members of CEIC and of the IB Research Unit will be presenting papers in the various conference strands. Trevor Grimshaw's paper in the 'Role of Language' strand is provocatively entitled 'The Colonised Mind? – Linguistic Imperialism and International Education' and promises to provide much food for thought, while Mike Fertig will focus in his paper on the Mission Statements of a number of international schools, identifying key issues relating to marketing and to choices offered to parents and students.

## New Directors of Study Centres and Summer School

Also re-shuffling this year, in addition to the Head of Department and Directors of Studies, are those responsible for the Study Centre and Summer School dimensions of the Advanced Courses programme. As part of his new role as Director of Studies, Mike Fertig has taken on responsibility for directing Study Centres, a role previously deployed by Mary Hayden, who continues to promote the establishment of new Study Centres in different parts of the world, and to work closely with Mike in this connection. The role of Director of Summer School, also previously deployed by Mary, has been taken on by Dr Trevor Grimshaw. Trevor joined the University of Bath in September 2003, having worked as a language teacher, lecturer, translator and consultant in Europe, East Asia and the UK.



*Dr Trevor Grimshaw, the new  
Director of Summer School*

For several years Trevor was involved in international curriculum development projects in China and Indonesia. Since then he has lectured at Canterbury Christchurch University and Northumbria University. He is currently co-ordinator of the language strands of the MA in Education, for which he also teaches the units Foreign Language Learning, Foreign Language Teaching and Teaching in a Bilingual Context. Trevor conducts and supervises research in areas such as the sociology of international language education, critical discourse analysis and intercultural issues in ESL. He is also a committee member of QuITE: the Association for the Promotion of Quality in TESOL Education.