



**British Education Studies Association Colloquium**  
*In association with the Institute of Education &  
The Centre for Learning and Teaching at Manchester Metropolitan University*

**Towards Research-Informed Teaching**  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2008**  
**Guest Speaker: Professor Mick Healey University of Gloucestershire**

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