WordPress for Weans

A Ramble

Community, Connections & Openness

Where am I coming from:

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- Primary School Teacher - Glasgow
- Staff Development Officer, ICT - North Lanarkshire
- Seconded to Glow - Scotland “Product Owner”

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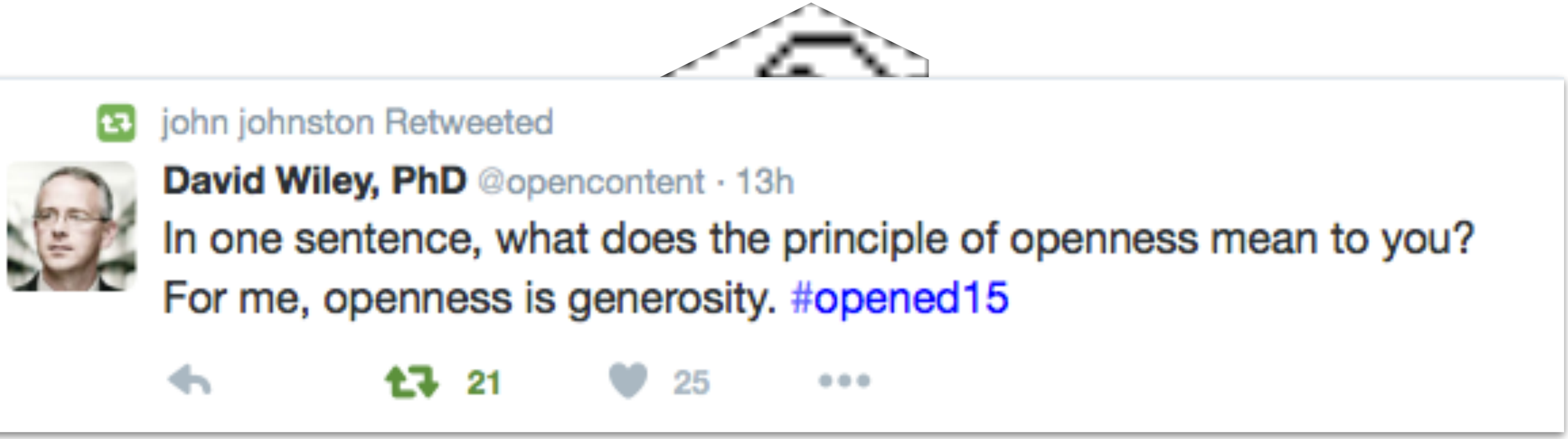

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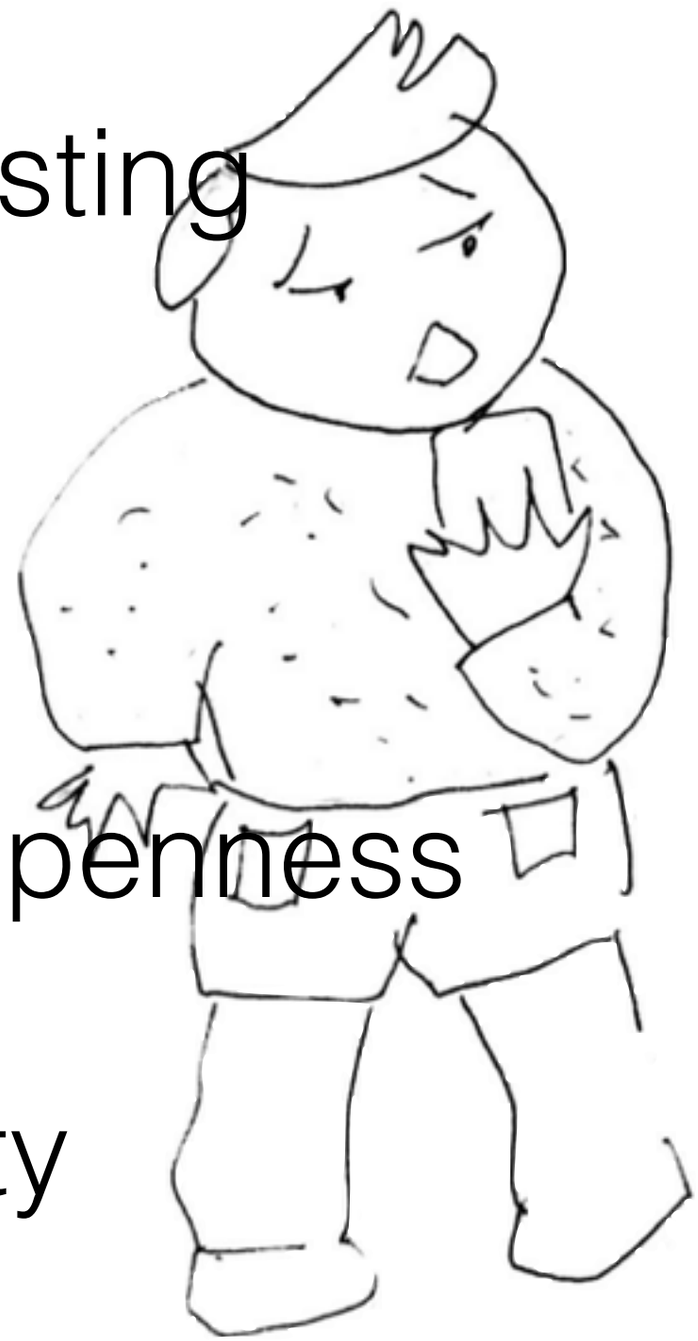
A ~~wee~~ bit of History

~2004 Blogging & Podcasting

ScotEduBlogs



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TeachMeet

Serendipity

My Best Blogging Story 2005

I keep my secrets,
I keep them in,
But I blabber them out!

Gemma

I keep the sea.
I keep its marvellous beauty in.
Every glittering drop I regret I let out.

Lucy

~ 2007 Glow SharePoint 2002!

Clunkiness

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2010 WordPress 2.9.2 added to Glow

easy

permission

2010 - 2014
WordPress 2.9.2

e-portfolios
clunky, 108 clicks

But once people started using WordPress…

New Glow

New Gig

2014 Migration

2015 WordPress 4

Working for the Government

Technical Architects

Developers

Project Manager

Waterfall

Procurement

Agile

Test Team

Governance

Data Protection

Business Analysts

Security

Child Protection

More TLAs than you can shake a stick at

Product Owner (me

Fortunately/Unfortunately

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Meetings, meetings, meetings…

Blogs Team

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So what do you do with >140,000 WP 2.9.2 blogs?

Stick to WordPress

Get Smart People

Take it Slowly

- Stick to WP 2.9.2 for migration
- Upgrade to WP 4
- Test & Test & Test

#31314 closed defect (bug) (fixed)

Opened 36 hours ago
Closed 28 hours ago
Last modified 22 hours ago

My Sites admin bar link broken when on blogs you have no role on

Reported by:	simonwheatley		Owned by:	jeremyfelt	
Milestone:	4.2		Priority:	normal	

- The teacher who reported the problem
- The Testers contracted to the Scottish Government
- The RM Help Desk who are the first point of contact for Glow fault
- The Developers from Automattic working for Glow
- WordPress developers who have nothing to do with and likely no knowledge of Glow

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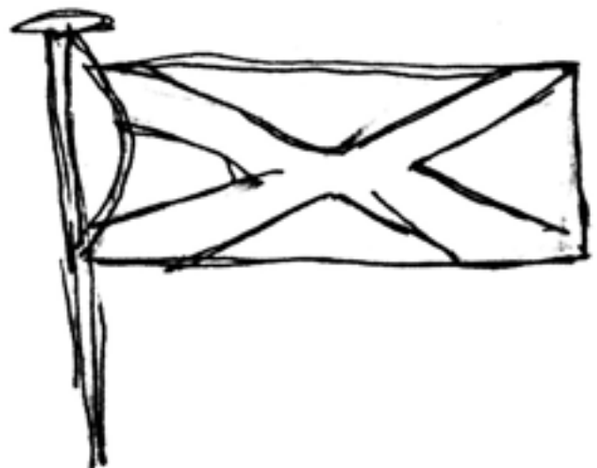
Curriculum for Excellence

encapsulated in the four capacities
- to enable each child or young person to be

- a successful learner
- a confident individual
- a responsible citizen
- and an effective contributor.



we think that blogging is a good idea because it allows us to **share** our ideas with others, so they can be **inspired** by our ideas too. Also, it allows us to **reflect** on, **talk** about and **share our learning with the world**. Blogging helps us become **better writers** because it is not just our teacher Mrs Hunter that gets to write on it, **we write posts too**

hundreds of new blogs/week

What are they good for? Absolutely Everything

Head Teachers

Classes

Youngsters

School Websites

projects

blogging to parents & community

collaborations

Hello World

Resources for pupils

class blogs

big schools

10 year olds blogging about cakes

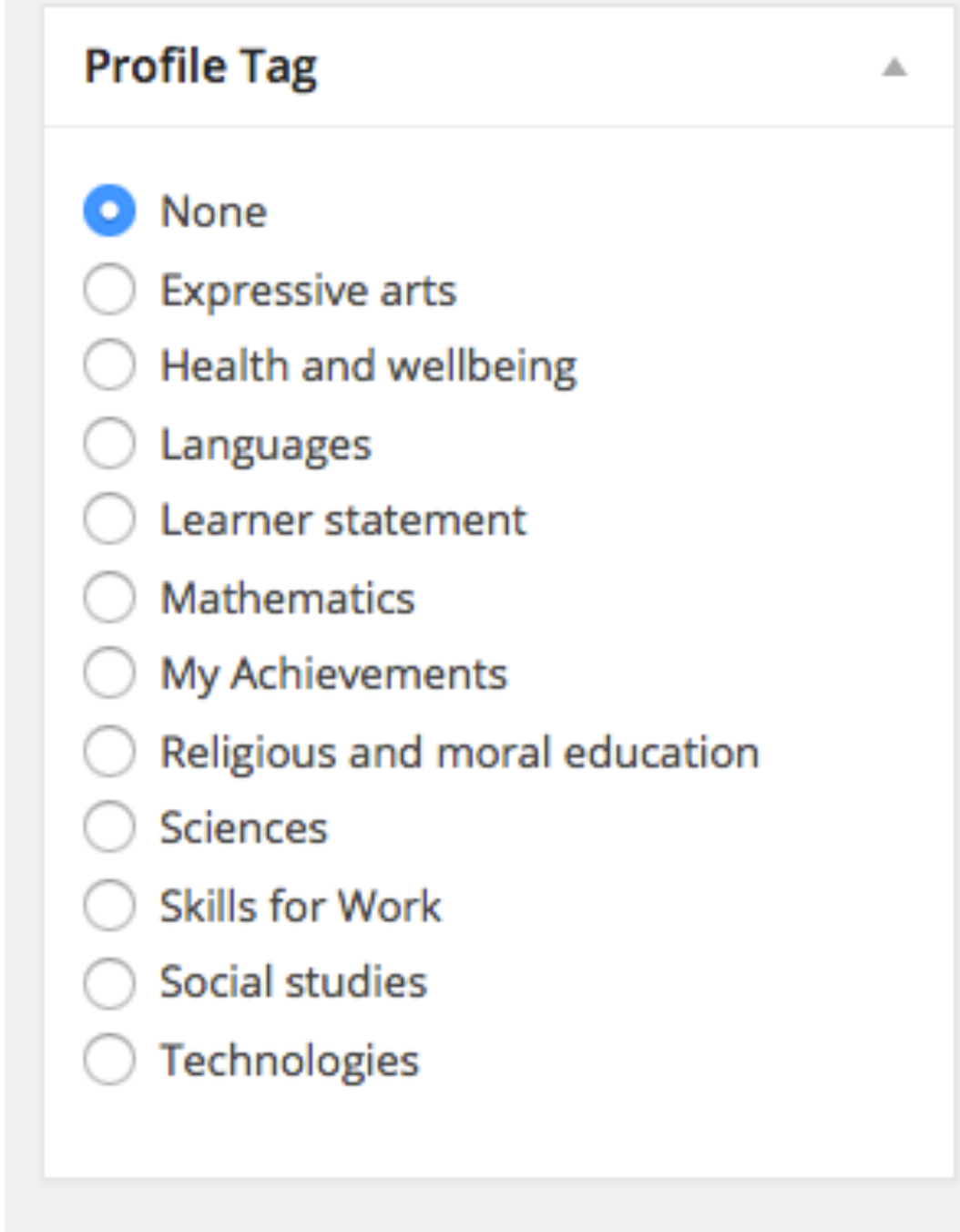
Scratching the surface

wee schools

e-Portfolios

Simplify:
108 clicks ➡ 2 clicks, 2 fields & a popup
60 themes ➡ 1 plugin *auto activated*

& **Beautify**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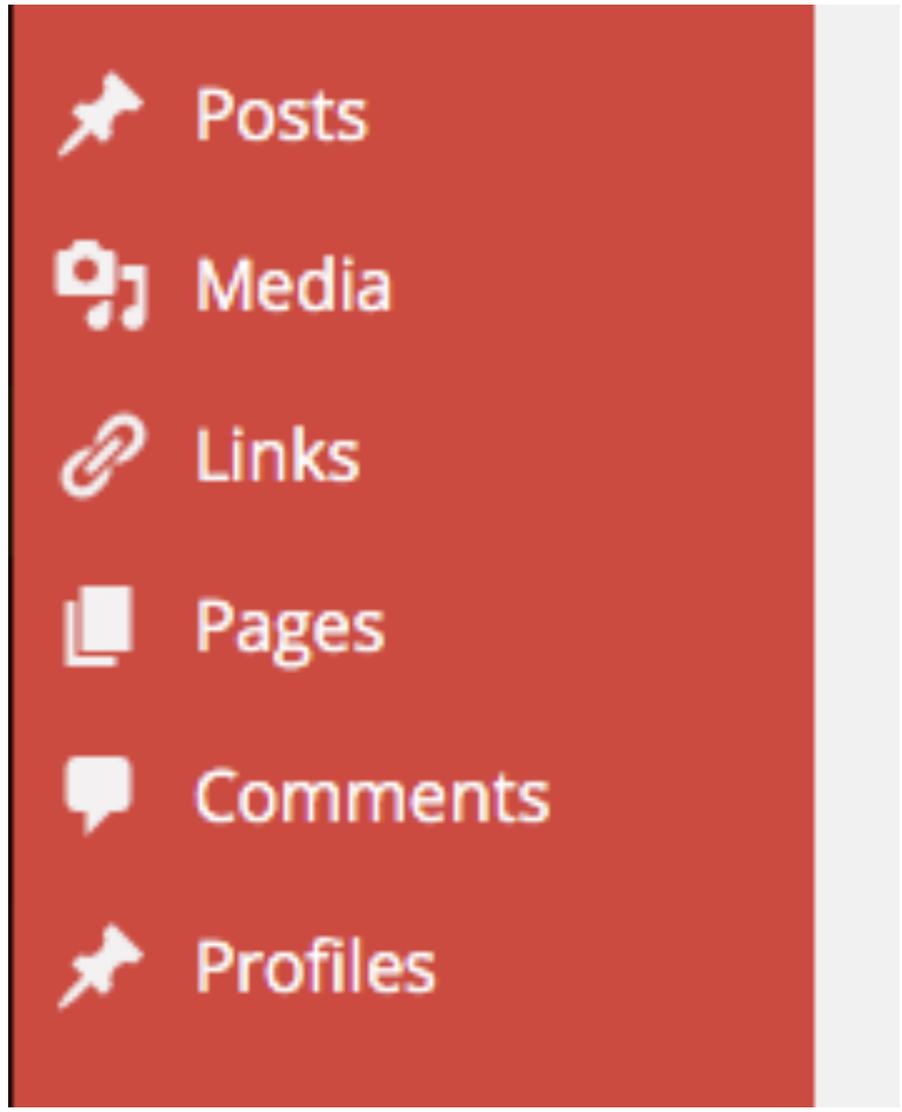
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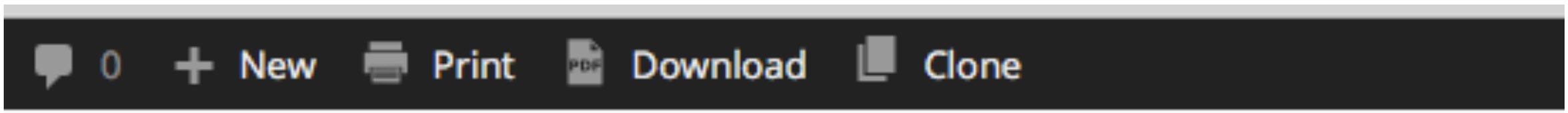
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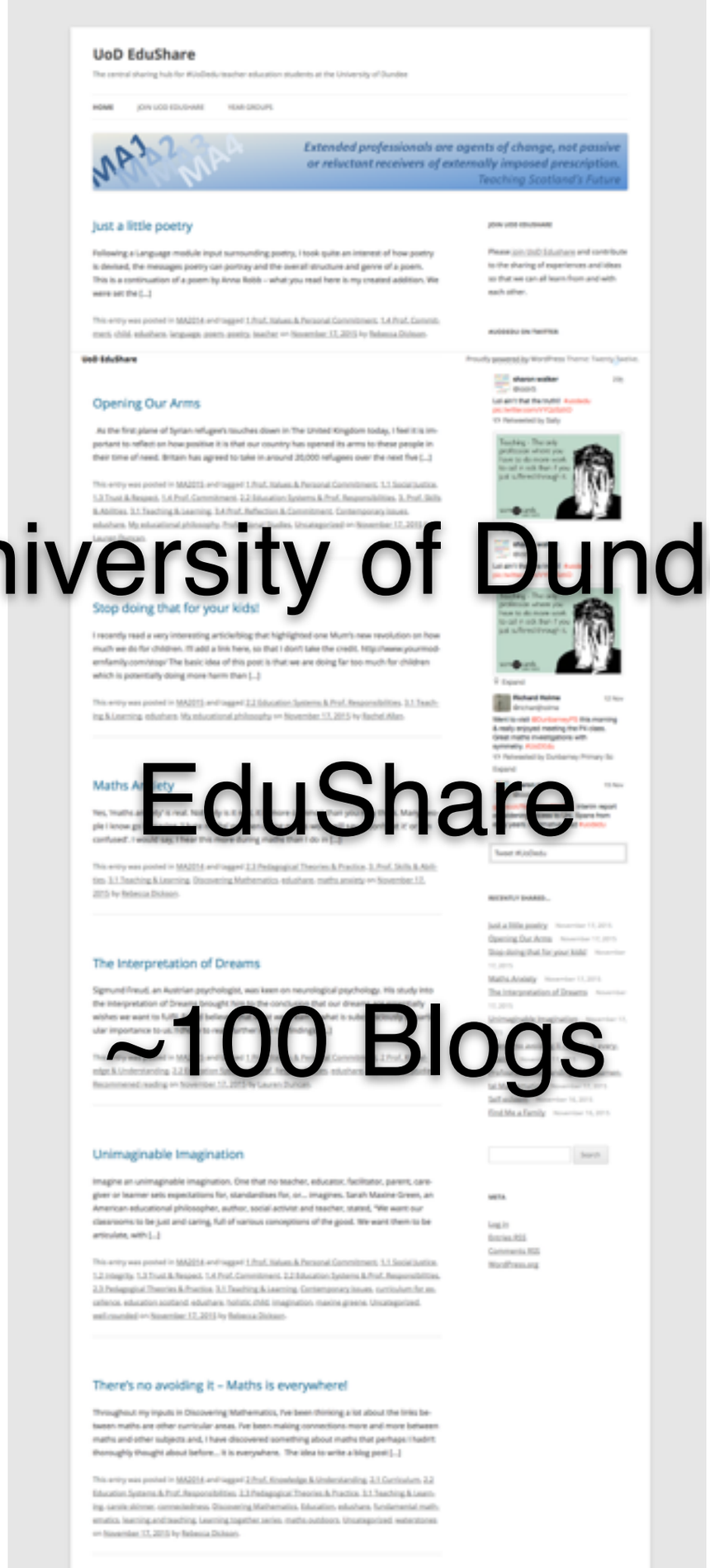

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~100 Blogs

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