## **ACCEPTING HELP IS A STRENGTH**

## Born to Fail? (Sonia Blandford)

Copies of this small but vital read needs to be in all schools. It is too important to ignore. We have a social and moral duty if we are

working in any part of education to read this book. Let it uncomfortably get under our skin as we realise that the class system is real, social mobility should be accessible and children rely on us to know the reality. The book is a shocking powerful read that will stir the fight within you to do something



meaningful in school to support working class families. A Christmas Carol of our modern day? Read it and decide.

## A THOUGHT FOR YOU...

Self reflection – what do you find tough? Is there a skill that escapes you and you find it too awkward to admit it? Have you missed key terminology or acronyms that is now just too late to ask? Does logging onto the school data analysis system fill you with dread? Does it matter if you can't work out the difference between a scheme of work, a curriculum map and a development plan?

Well accepting help is a strength so here it goes... Who could help you with what? Bite the bullet and ask for 30 minutes with someone that can sort one of these areas for you. Make notes or film their explanation so

that you can master the development in your own time. Be honest, tell them you are getting your house in order for the new term.