

Presentation

Chances are, the blog doesn't look the way you would like it to, as it still has the default 'theme'.

There are thousands of themes out there that you could use for your blog. If you are interested, you could even learn how to alter a theme to make it your very own. (This is not covered in these notes.)

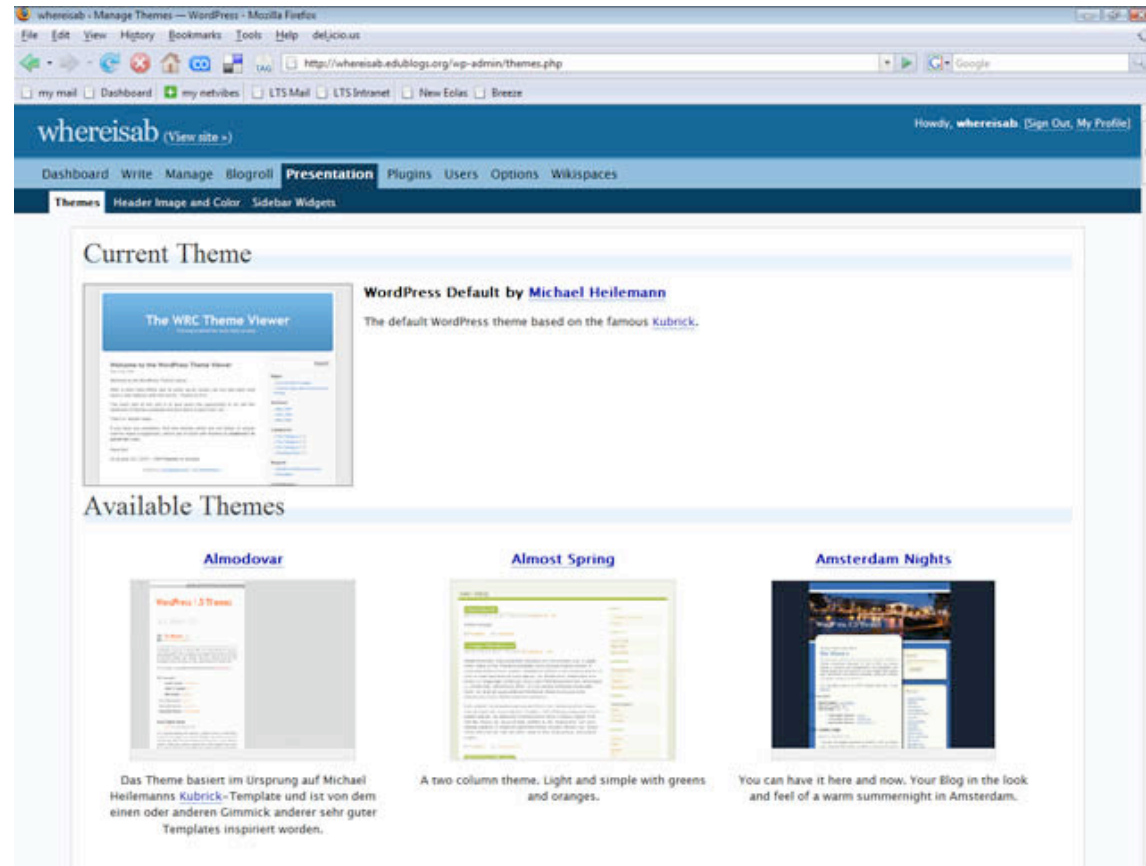
On the dashboard, click the '**Presentation**' tab.



On this tab, you can select which theme to use, and make any alterations to the theme options (if there are any!)

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Depending upon your blog host, there may be a number of themes to choose from. Simply **scroll down** the **list** to see a picture of how the theme may look and **click** on the one you wish to use.

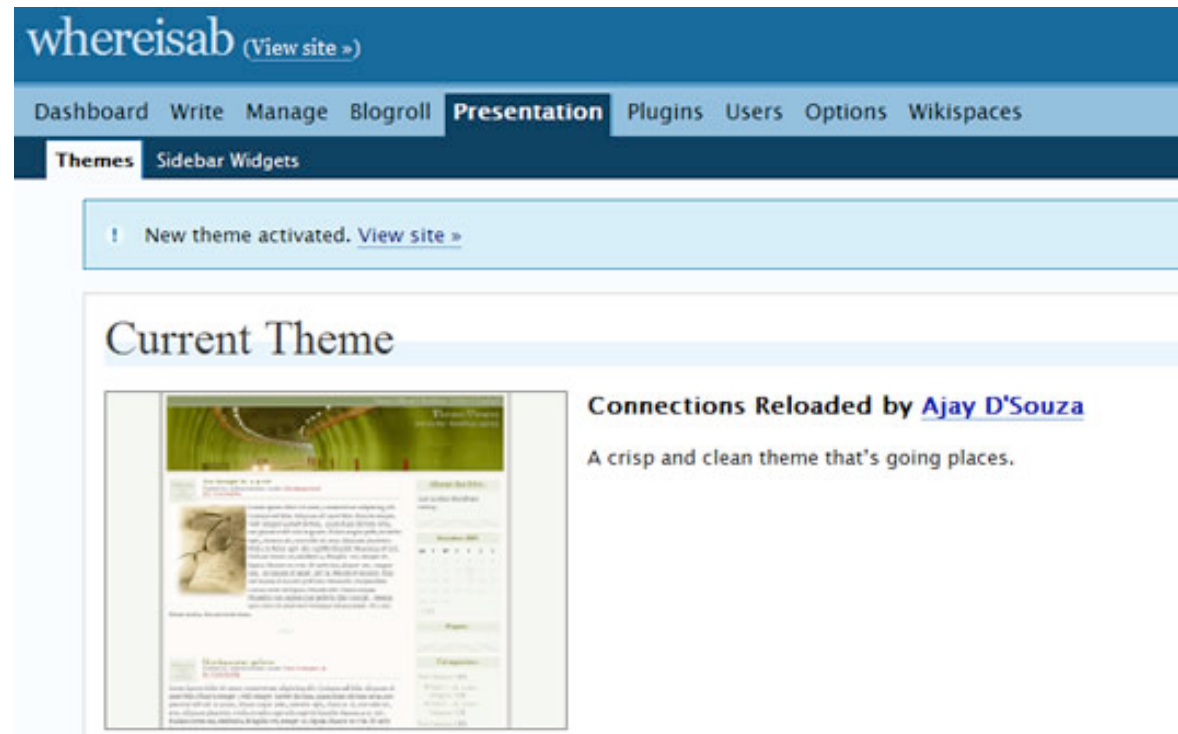


Your blog will automatically adopt this new theme you have selected. Near the top of the screen, the message 'new theme activated – view site' will be shown.

Click 'View site' to see how your site looks with the new theme.

Simple, isn't it?

Some themes will have options – as these vary from theme to theme, there is little point in covering them here in instructions. If your theme has options, **click** the **link** in the tab bar to see what you can alter in the theme.



'Widgets' and 'Plugins' are also managed from this screen – this is covered in a later section.