

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

- DAY ONE

9:00

Registration

Our dedicated logistics team will greet you on arrival and take you through the quick registration process. They can also answer any questions you may have. Please help yourself to a snack and a hot or cold beverage once you're registered.

9:30

Welcome

Welcome to the School Improvement & Development Conference 2022, hosted by TT Education. In this session you will be given a brief overview of the programme for the day and introduced to our helpful and friendly team.

9:45

Keynote Session

"Who Has the Power? Transformational pedagogy in the 21st century classroom."

TT Education CEO, David Maytham, will open our inaugural conference with an inspiring talk on what it truly means to 'empower' others and how a full understanding of this will transform your school development forever. Drawing on his years of experience in leadership and school consultancy, David's stimulating words will bring together the best of school improvement advice from across the UK and beyond.

10:45

Refreshments

Please help yourself to a selection of delicious snacks, and hot and cold drinks in the reception area. Our dedicated logistics team will also be on hand at this time to answer any questions you may have.

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11:00

Breakout Presentation 1

"Wellbeing for Leaders: what does it mean in practical terms?"

We will consider what wellbeing really means for school leaders and looks at practical ways to lessen stress. Improving morale across the school is always something leaders must strive for, but one cannot pour from an empty cup: leaders must consider their own wellbeing too. With a focus on collaborative and altruistic approaches for leaders at all levels, this insightful session will consider alternative and lower-stress ways to lead to success.

11:00

Breakout Presentation 2

"Developing Cultural Capital: cost-effective and curriculum-focused ways to develop children's culture-base."

With Ofsted's renewed focus on the development of cultural capital, it is important that we, as leaders, ensure our schools create a culturally rich environment. We will consider what this looks like in practice. Discover how the development of a child's cultural capital links to their personal development and consider a wider interpretation of the term, which leads to a wealth of opportunities for development.

11:00

Breakout Presentation 3

"Getting the Right People on the Bus... and how to Keep Them There: recruitment and retention in the 20s."

It is no secret that recruitment statistics in the teaching industry are very poor. It is estimated that over a third of teachers leave the profession within five years. Strong, positive development within a school can be badly disrupted by a high staff turnover. In this thought-provoking session, we will consider how to ensure you are attracting and retaining the right people for your school or trust, to ensure continuous, sustained growth and improvement.

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Main Session

"Avoiding the Biggest Crisis of the 21st Century: how to develop strong mental health leadership."

A practical and evidence-informed session that will enable you to deepen your skills and knowledge, to embed and sustain a strong, long-term strategic approach to mental health and wellbeing in your whole school setting. Throughout this session, we will consider how the leadership of mental health in schools can help to avert the mental health crisis that is currently devastating so many of our children and young people. Bringing you right up to date with the latest DfE guidance, OFSTED, post-covid context and the best available theory and practice, this session will provide you with all the tools you need to support the children and young people within your care.

13:15

Lunch

Your delicious buffet lunch will be served in the dining area. Please take the time to ask any questions you may have, as our dedicated logistics team will be on hand to support you. And don't forget to visit our sponsors in the main foyer.

14:15

Panel Session 1

"Building Pupil Resilience."

That magic word: resilience. Easy to say. Hard to do. Our team of experts considers techniques for building pupils' resilience in schools, both in the classroom and through the ethos of the whole school. A key life skill to enable children to overcome challenges, it is important to ensure that you and your team have a series of practical ways to encourage resilience in your pupils. See how the experts do it.

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Refreshments and Networking Time

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Breakout Presentation 1

"How to Make Data Work for You: assessment and the new Ofsted inspection framework."

Excellent assessment is at the heart of school improvement. In this inspiring session, we will consider ways to 'do' assessment in the new Ofsted Inspection Framework, how to support teachers in implementing consistent assessment practices, and proven strategies to link assessment into the curriculum, so it becomes built-in, not bolt-on. Thus can data become a tool for you to wield in your school's journey to excellence.

16:00

Breakout Presentation 2

"Composites and Components: delivering a knowledge-rich curriculum."

When Ofsted talks about composites and components - as they increasingly do - what do they really mean? How can an understanding of these terms support both curriculum planning (intent) and delivery (pedagogy)? How will Ofsted unpick composite and component knowledge when they are inspecting your curriculum? These are questions that many school leaders find a source of concern. We will provide all the answers!

16:00

Breakout Presentation 3

"Creating Leaders at Every Level: leadership skills for the whole school community."

Explore the key skills and attributes of leadership in this session. We will consider how to ensure others work for and with you to achieve your vision. Find ways to build your leadership capacity and vision in this practical and inspiring session.

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Room Registration & relaxation

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18:00

Drinks Reception - CEO Remarks

Please gather in the reception area for some pre-dinner drinks, a chance to chat to colleagues and friends, and a short address from TT Education's CEO, David Maytham.

18:30

Dinner

And...relax, with an exquisite three course meal and pleasant conversation. Find your seat and please remember that our dedicated logistics team will, of course, be on hand to answer any questions you may have about any aspect of the programme.

20:00

Quiz / Prize Draw

Following dinner, you'll have the chance to win a range of brilliant prizes, and enjoy a short, amusing quiz.

20:45

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- DAY TWO

8:00

Breakfast

Enjoy a sumptuous spread and a moment of quiet reflection in the dining area.

9:00

Main Session

"Play Your Way to Success: how gamification is changing the way children learn."

One of the big buzz words that we, at TT Education, use a lot is 'gamification'. Come along and find out why. We will take you through the theory behind game-based learning approaches, as well as a series of practical ways to develop it and really make the most of it in your school. This is not just about classroom practice either - it can be revolutionary as a leadership tool. Find out why...

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"Visioning and Strategy."

A strong vision is crucial to the forward motion of a school and/or trust. This full and frank discussion from a team of experts, will ask: what does an effective, efficient, implementable vision look like? How do we keep our vision front of mind? What are the markers of success in strategic planning? How do we measure them? All the top-level planning tips and advice you need.

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Breakout Presentation 1

"Making Management Matter: how successful performance management can revolutionise your school's development."

How does one provide honest feedback through structured conversations, without damaging working relationships or postponing those difficult conversations? We will demonstrate how this honest feedback, and a skillfully implemented and led performance management cycle, can enhance the outcomes of all learners in your care. This truly is performance management as you've never seen it before.

12:00

Breakout Presentation 2

"Achieving Excellence in Vocabulary Acquisition: creating a language-rich environment that stimulates all pupils' progress."

Research shows a large disparity in vocabulary exposure for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. In this motivational session, we will consider how to help children develop their vocabularies and how to encourage sophistication in their use of vocabulary. With vocabulary a growing concern to Ofsted, the answers to questions about how to meet their criteria are all here.

12:00

Breakout Presentation 3

"Courageous Conversations for School Leaders: how to strike the delicate balance of strong and decisive, as well as flexible and adaptive."

Supporting staff can be fraught with challenges. Choosing the right tone, approach, and setting to convey your message so it has impact is tricky. Maintaining improvements after that initial conversation can be trickier. How can we improve, whilst keeping people on board? We will consider these questions and more, in this practical, down-to-earth session.

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Breakout Presentation 1

"Outstanding Leadership of SEN Provision: how do we ensure 'reasonable adjustments' are practicable and effective."

Using lessons learned from recently-inspected schools and Lead Inspectors, we will bring you a session designed to cut through to the heart of SEN leadership in schools, to explain what Ofsted are really looking for and why. Aimed at sharing a host of school-focused ideas on how to engender a culture of true inclusivity, alongside practical and workable 'reasonable adjustments', this session will transform your SEN leadership forever.

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Breakout Presentation 2

"Building a Strong Foundation: ensuring strong leadership in the EYFS."

We will discuss how we can ensure the leadership of the EYFS is not either an entirely separate entity or a bolt-on to the Key Stages, but a fully embraced extension of the school's vision to this very different part of the school. Consider how to empower your Early Years practitioners, while keeping everyone working towards the same goal.

14:00

Breakout Presentation 3

"Leadership in the 21st Century School: rising to the challenge of the 20s."

Let's be honest - this decade has not got off to the most promising of starts. The challenges the 20s have presented us with are real and they are harsh. That said, many leaders have risen to these challenges with outstanding courage and incredible fortitude. We will summarise some of the most exceptional examples of leadership practices across the UK, and ask the simple questions: what do they have in common and what can we learn from them?

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FORMAL END OF DAY TWO

Refreshments are available on departure.