

'The Art of Being Brilliant'

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Based on the science of positive psychology, this session is evidence-based but with the big words surgically removed and replaced with common sense, doable principles and great fun. The challenge is quite straight-forward; it's about raising your 'new normal' to world class.

'Conference Re-Boot'

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Dr Andy's back to take us a little further into his research and to kick-start the afternoon.

Self-regulation, not self-medication: using emotional intelligence to thrive in a climate of change

Ruth Whiteside, Trainer and Coach, Children's Emotional Language and Thinking Ltd

How do we keep going when we are running on empty? When things are in constant flux and we feel we simply can't keep up? The answer is hidden deep within you. Utilising your own emotional intelligence will support you as you work through the pressures of today's work - and will help you get ready for the challenges ahead.

Whole School Energy Saving and Climate Change Opportunities through the ECO, Smart Schools Programme

Rich Hurst, Education Advisor - Sustainability, Durham County Council

Pension age discrimination - What does the McCloud judgement mean for you?

Grant Bilton, Financial Advisor, Wesleyan

Both Teachers & Local Government pensions are affected by the McCloud Judgement, affecting retirement ages and future pension values for all members. We'll go through a brief overview of the benefits of both schemes, the historic pension changes both schemes have seen since 2007 and the future alterations which will be implemented by April 2022. Plenty of time for Q&A along with the ability to arrange individual pension reviews.

School buying programme: tools and services to help you become a smart buyer

Catherine Kelsall, Schools Engagement Lead & Ben Hardy, Stakeholder and Engagement Manager, DfE

This session will give you the opportunity to find out more about the services and tools available to help you buy value for money goods and services compliantly. Hear about the DfE approved buying frameworks and the support available for those complex procurements.

Doing the right thing for our communities, not just compliance

Stephen Mitchell, CEO, Oak Multi Academy Trust & Director, Keystone

Schools are central parts of our communities, and never more so than over the last 18 months have we proven just how pivotal schools are to civic life. Reinventing the face of education almost overnight to deliver remote education school leaders have proven beyond doubt their resilience and capacity to act with agility and compassion.

As we move back to a more 'normal' world with less lockdowns, how do we ensure that we keep the communities we serve at the heart of what we do? This session explores how schools can create our own strategy to be 100% focussed on all aspects of our communities, responding to their needs, as well as doing the necessary compliance for DfE/Local Authorities etc.

We believe that schools centred in our communities are stronger for it, and excellent school leadership recognises this, celebrates it, and thrives.

Session participants will be part of a 'live' exercise, building useful tools and exploring how this can be applied in their own setting

Marketing Your School to Stakeholders

Rebecca Lambton, Director, iTCHYROBOT

An overview of key tips to improve the way your school markets to key stakeholders and parents.

How to Fundraise through these changing times

Matthew Smith MBE, Business Manager, Sheringham Woodfields School

Whether you agree or disagree about schools needing to fundraise, the fact is that to thrive in the climate we currently operate within, schools need to deploy a certain level of Fundraising. This whistle stop session will focus on all aspects of fundraising options available to schools, give you tips/points/tools to take away and above all else give you a chance to see first-hand how an active School Business Manager has approached this.

Changes to school catering services

Jonathan Whittle, Catering Consultant, Tenet Education Services

Presentation covering changes in the school catering marketplace including the impact COVID has had on the outsourced catering market and the commercial offers now available to schools. As well as changes taking place in school catering services due to the introduction of Natasha's Law - new allergen labelling requirements from October 2021.

Let's Go Zero – Schools working together to be zero carbon

Alex Green, Programme Manager, Ashden (Ashden proudly run the Let's Go Zero campaign)

From Inverness to Plymouth, Liverpool to Brighton, school leaders are standing alongside students and taking action to tackle the climate crisis. Alex Green from the Let's Go Zero 2030 Campaign will talk about the role of schools in decarbonising the UK and how schools can take action to reduce their own carbon impact.

Managing Workplace Sickness Absence Effectively & Confidently

Tracey Gray, Education Management Consultant

Managing workplace sickness absence effectively & confidently is something a lot will struggle with, particularly if you experience a high level of absenteeism in your school. To help manage this, Tracey Gray Education Management Consultant (Fellow of the CIPD, Fellow of ISBL and is a qualified ILM Coach) has set out an array of ways to tackle and improve how we can manage and minimise absences, covering all aspects from dealing with difficult situations to supporting a returning employee.