9.30am - Registration / Exhibition Opens

10.00am-10.15am

Welcome to EduKent EXPO & Conference
Patrick Leeson, Corporate Director - Education and Young People's Services, Kent County Council
Keynote Theatre

10.15am-11.00am - Opening Keynote

An Optimist’s Guide to Becoming Outstanding
Guest Speaker: Vic Goddard, Principal of Passmores Academy (as seen on ‘Educating Essex’)
Keynote Theatre

As the Principal of Passmores Academy and accidental star of Channel 4’s ‘Educating Essex’, Vic Goddard has probably become the most famous head teacher in the UK today. His straight-talking, informal approach has often been misunderstood by the tabloid media but his overwhelming positivity and refusal to give up on any student are nothing short of inspirational.

In this energetic opening keynote session, Vic presents his unique and often unconventional ideas on how to develop incredible teachers and how to transform a school from failing to outstanding - all in his characteristically upbeat and humorous style.

11.00am-11.02am - PLEASE OBSERVE THE 2 MINUTE SILENCE

11.30am-12.00pm - Choose ONE from three concurrent workshops:

Workshop 1A) Special Workshop: Pupil Premium
Marc Rowland, Deputy Director, National Education Trust
Keynote Theatre

Marc Rowland has visited more than 150 schools over the past three years - to gather examples of innovation and excellence in schools’ use of the additional funding and compile the UK’s definitive guide to the Pupil Premium.

In his special workshop at EduKent, Marc will share the key highlights of this best practice, to show how the premium can be used most effectively to narrow the attainment gap between disadvantaged learners and their more affluent peers.

Workshop 1B) Online Safety for School Leaders: Safeguarding Children, Protecting Staff
Hosted by: Education Safeguarding Team, Kent County Council
Workshop Room 1

An overview of the current online safety agenda with a focus on the strategic considerations and requirements for school leaders and governors. The session will explore issues such as cyberbullying, sexting, social media and professional behaviour and will signpost useful materials and resources, helping you in establishing an embedded e-Safety ethos within your school.
Workshop 1C) Best Practice in Premises Management
Hosted by: Every (TES Foundation)
Workshop Room 2

Schools have recently been delegated further responsibility for management of their premises and more is expected of the school business manager and site team. This session offers best practice advice on how to get a grip on your premises as well as improving how the school manages day-to-day activities.

12.30pm-1.00pm - Choose ONE from three concurrent workshops:

Workshop 2A) A ‘Perfect Financial Storm’ Will Hit Schools This Year - How do we deal with it?
Stephen Morales, Chief Executive, NASBM
Keynote Theatre

Cost pressures are rising on school budgets through increased NI contributions, increased pension contributions and an unfunded pay rise for teachers. When you factor in reduced funding for post-16 students, it is fair to point out that there is a ‘perfect storm’ brewing around school funding, which will amount to a real-term reduction for many schools. This seminar will deal with what’s to be done, what can be done and any potential impact of a National Funding Formula.

Workshop 2B) Bring the World into your Classroom with the British Council
Hosted by: British Council
Workshop Room 1

This engaging seminar gives teachers practical ideas and resources that can help bring the world into their classroom. If you want to develop a school partnership overseas, enrich the curriculum through adding a global dimension, support language teaching, experience international opportunities for professional development, or develop global citizens in your classroom then come along to find out more.

Workshop 2C) How Changes to Procurement Legislation will Affect your School
Hosted by: The Schools’ Buying Club
Workshop Room 2

Rob Yems from Schools’ Buying Club talks you through the new procurement legislation, how to stay compliant, what the benefits of the new regime are and how the new regulations can benefit your School.

1.00pm-2.00pm - Lunch, Networking & Exhibition

2.00pm-2.45pm Afternoon Keynote

Introducing the New Ofsted Framework
Guest Speaker: Stephen Long, Senior HMI, Ofsted
Keynote Theatre

Stephen Long is a senior HMI in the South East region, where he leads a team of HMI. He joins the EduKent Conference this year to provide a valuable insight into the new Common Inspection Framework - taking effect from September 2015.

This practical and informative session will explain the key reasons for the changes and help school leadership teams to understand how the new framework will affect Kent schools.

2.45pm - Event Close