EduKent EXPO & Conference 2013: Ready, Steady, Outstanding!

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

9.00am - Registration / Exhibition Opens

9.45am-10.00am - Welcome Address (Keynote Theatre)

Patrick Leeson, Corporate Director for Education, Learning & Skills, Kent County Council

10.00am-10.45am - Opening Keynote (Keynote Theatre)

GUEST SPEAKER:
Emma Knights, Chief Executive, National Governors' Association

Getting to Outstanding

Governing is a demanding leadership role, and the NGA looks at governance across different sectors to help inform good practice. Emma Knights will consider the eight elements of effective governance, and suggest what can put your governing body out in front in making sure pupils have the best opportunities.

11.00am-11.45am

Choose ONE from four concurrent workshops

Workshop 1A) Ready, Steady, Outstanding!
Hosted by: Kent School Improvement Service
Keynote Theatre

A workshop that is designed to provide practical advice and guidance for any school that is aspiring to outstanding. You will leave with a clear view and a useful set of prompts that will enable you to move your school forward to achieve your ambitions.

Workshop 1B) How SIMS Can Support Financial Management
Hosted by: EiS Kent
Bredhurst Room

EiS Kent will provide an overview of how functionality within SIMS.net can be used to support evidence of sound financial decision-making, return on investment and inform future planning to support schools in getting best value from their budgets. Data from SIMS can assist in effective and efficient management of financial resources such as the pupil premium funding, promote school improvement and empower the leadership and management of the school.
Workshop 1C) How To Write The Killer Bid  
**Hosted by:** Pebble  
**Chilham Room**

Develop your practical bid writing skills to give your school budget a boost. By the end of the workshop, you will know how to identify key funding opportunities available to you, put pen to paper to write your own winning funding application and unlock your school’s fundraising potential.

Workshop 1D) Connecting Learning To Life  
**Hosted by:** The Yes Programme  
**Cornwallis Room**

The Yes Programme is an online library of 90 films aimed at key stage 2 core subjects. Our lively films show how curriculum topics are used in real life situations. Meet Paul a chocolatier who uses reversible change, Yussef, a drummer who understands fractions and Wendy an air traffic controller who uses precise language.

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12.00pm-12.45pm

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Workshop 2A) Packtypes EQ - Improving Communication - Improving Performance  
**Hosted by:** Kent-Teach Recruitment & Retention Team  
**Keynote Theatre**

A hands-on, practical workshop introducing you to the power of emotional intelligence and how it can be harnessed to improve whole school learning.

Workshop 2B) 2014 Curriculum Ready - Cornerstones of Learning  
**Hosted by:** Cornerstones Education  
**Cornwallis Room**

This session outlines how Cornerstones can help schools address the requirements of the New Primary Curriculum through a creative philosophy using a proven curriculum model that reduces pressure on schools and increases child engagement and educational outcomes.

Workshop 2C) Mobile learning: understanding the wireless infrastructure implications  
**Hosted by:** Meru Networks  
**Bredhurst Room**

The vision of 1:1 and BYOD is often unattainable for schools who haven't considered the full impact of these changes on the network infrastructure. Supporting high density mobile environments is complicated and fraught with potential issues. Meru Networks has deployed over 2750 education customers and will speak about the common pitfalls and run a live demonstration.

Workshop 2D) Espresso coding  
**Hosted by:** Espresso Education  
**Chilham Room**

This session explores the 2014 National Curriculum requirement to teach Computer Programming and how the Espresso Coding can support the introduction of this new area into the primary classroom. In this hands-on workshop, teachers will learn important programming constructs through creating and sharing simple programmes of their own. It will equip teachers to confidently teach this element of Computing to KS1 and KS2.

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12.45pm-1.45pm

Lunch, Networking & Exhibition
1.45pm-2.30pm Afternoon Keynote (Keynote Theatre)

**GUEST SPEAKER:**
Peter Lauener, Chief Executive, Education Funding Agency
(an agency of the Department for Education)

**Putting children and young people first**

Peter Lauener will set out the challenge faced by everyone in the education system to improve standards and narrow the gap in educational performance at a time when budgets are tight and new and innovative ways therefore need to be found to improve institutional performance for the benefit of children and young people.

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**2.30pm - Event Close**