

TRUST LEADERS' CONFERENCE 2024

Delivering Inclusive Excellence

4TH JULY | 10AM-3:45PM | DE VERE
GRAND CONNAUGHT ROOMS, LONDON

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9:30 - 10:00 Arrival, registration and refreshments

10:00 - 10:15 Welcome - *Dr Kate Chhatwal OBE - CEO, Challenge Partners*

10:15 - 11:00 **A safe place for everyone** - *Jon Yates - Executive Director, Youth Endowment Fund*

A truly inclusive society is a place where everyone feels safe. Sadly, too many of our children do not feel safe. Last year, half of all teens said that they changed their behaviour to avoid violence. 1 in 25 teenage children carried a knife to keep themselves 'safe'. 50 children lost their lives, and half of all teenagers saw or were a victim of some forms of violence. And yet – polls tell us children see schools and colleges as one of the safest places in their lives. Why is this? What are we doing that works and what more can, or should, we do?

Jon Yates leads the Youth Endowment Fund, the leading charity on what works to keep children safe. He will share the latest good news on what we are doing and can do to make our schools a safe place for everyone.

11:00 - 11:15 **Emerging insights into inclusive excellence in trusts** - *Leora Cruddas CBE - CEO, CST*

Drawing on insights from across the trust landscape, Leora Cruddas will examine our collective responsibility for ensuring all children, regardless of their backgrounds or challenges, receive high-quality education and feel a sense of belonging.

Building on Ben Newmark and Tom Rees' seminal Five Principles for Inclusion, she will explore the complexities involved in creating a system characterised by inclusive excellence, and the role we all must play in achieving it.

11:15 - 12:15 **World Cafe Discussions: What can we do together to deliver inclusive excellence?** - *Practitioner Led*

Join one conversation or several as we dive deep into key questions around how we, as trust and system leaders, can implement bold and transformative actions to create true inclusive excellence in our trusts and across the system.

Trust Leaders from Challenge Partners' Trust Advisory Group will gather your responses and ideas to a series of provocations inspired by Leora's input. Collect the wisdom of your peers to inform action in your own trust and networks, as we harvest ideas to inform Challenge Partners' #CourageousLeadership of inclusive excellence. Tomorrow, we'll have a new government to share your insights with.

12:15 - 12:30 Break and refreshments

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12:30 - 13:30

Carousels: Sharing leading and innovative practice linked to the Five Principles for Inclusion

Dignity, not deficit

Making classrooms inclusive by design through digital technology - Cheryl Shirley, Director of Digital Learning, LEO Academy Trust

Greater complexity merits greater expertise

AI and the role of the trust CEO - Kieron White, Co-founder, Leading AI

Implementing instructional coaching at scale – where extra support is needed, it should be expert in nature - Simon Garrill, CEO, E21C

Complex Case - A graduated response to a rising complexity in mainstream schools - Mark Oldman, Director of Education, The Mead Educational Trust

Success in all its forms

SEND Developmental Peer Review: A solution-focused approach to achieving best outcomes for all learners - Sarah Goosani - Principal, Milestone Academy, & Practitioner Facilitator for the SEND Developmental Peer Review

Action at all levels

Inspiring inclusive leadership: Action at all levels - Katherine Walsh, Director of Inclusion, River Learning Trust

Do I need to start using AI before it starts using me? - Dr Pete Atherton, Author and Senior Lecturer, Liverpool John Moores University

Using national and local research to tackle the 'wicked problem' of attendance in schools - Robert Coles, Deputy CEO, Education South West (ESW) and Owen Carter, Co-Founder and Director of ImpactEd Group

13:30 - 14:15

Lunch

14:15 - 15:15

How failure made me stronger - Ade Adepitan MBE - television presenter, Paralympic basketball player, and disability advocate

"My life has taken me from the streets of Lagos to the medal podium at the Paralympics to the top of a live Volcano in Central America. Very few of us know what we're really capable of until we challenge ourselves. Join me as I talk about what it takes to become an elite athlete and how the lessons I learnt and the enablers I met helped me challenge prejudice, change perceptions, and break into the bonkers world of TV."

15:15 - 15:35

What next?

What are your personal next steps? What will you do to further inclusive excellence in your trust and in the system - tomorrow, next week, next year and beyond?

What can Challenge Partners do to support and amplify your endeavours? What key messages should we be giving the new government about their role, yours and ours?

15:35 - 15:45

Closing Remarks - Dr Kate Chhatwal OBE

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