

Hampshire Special Educational Needs Conference Holiday Inn, Winchester - 21 February 2023

Theme: Neurodiversity and how this impacts on social and emotional behaviours and mental wellbeing

Conference Programme

- 08:30-09:00** Arrival and registration
Tea and coffee available on arrival
- 09:00-09:15** Welcome, introductions and housekeeping
- 09:15-10:30** **Keynote speech – Yes to Autism**
David Burns, MBE
- 10:30-11:00** Break
- 11:00-12:15** **Workshop 1 sessions**

Workshop 1A	An introduction to Dyslexia <i>Lisa Karalius – HIAS Inspector/Adviser for English</i>	Monarch Suite
Workshop 1B	Neurodiversity and Mental Health <i>Niki Wilson – Headteacher, Rachel Maddocks Special School</i>	Emperor Suite
Workshop 1C	Making Sense of Autism <i>Mehal Shah – Co-Headteacher, Henry Tyndale School</i>	Hampshire Suite

- 12:15-12:30** SENCO updates
Sarah Kiel, *Inspector/Adviser SEN*
- 12:30-13:15** Lunch
- 13:15-14:30** **Keynote speech – Neurodiversity in Education**
Suzy Rowland
- 14:30-15:45** **Workshop 2 sessions** (*tea/coffee available*)

Workshop 2A	An introduction to Dyslexia <i>Lisa Karalius – HIAS Inspector/Adviser for English</i>	Monarch Suite
Workshop 2B	Neurodiversity and Mental Health <i>Niki Wilson – Headteacher, Rachel Maddocks Special School</i>	Hampshire Suite
Workshop 2C	Making Sense of Autism <i>Mehal Shah – Co-Headteacher, Henry Tyndale School</i>	Emperor Suite

- 15:45- 16:15** SEN Services update
Jane Howarth, *County Education Manager Inclusion*
- 16:15- 16:30** Summary / Next steps and evaluation
- 16:30** Close

Keynote speakers

David Burns, MBE

David is passionate about the education of children with additional needs and is the author of several books and guides. He is involved in a range of initiatives, including Time for Autism at Brighton Medical School and Autism Hampshire's Experts by Experience and Health forums.

David was awarded an MBE in 2020 for services to children and young people with autism.

Suzy Rowland

Suzy is an author, Autism & ADHD Specialist, Adaptive Cognitive Behaviour Therapist, and speaker. She founded the happyinschool (H.I.S.) project to provide creative and interactive training and consultancy, rooted in lived experience.

Suzy works directly with local authority schools, families, and young people, examining challenging issues and situations and building connections that enable educators and families to work collaboratively, for successful educational outcomes.

Workshops

Workshop session 1: 11:00 - 12:15

Workshop session 2: 14:45 - 15:30

Workshop 1A & 2A – An introduction to Dyslexia

Lisa Karalius – HIAS Inspector/Adviser for English

In this workshop we will:

- explore the definition and the characteristic features of dyslexia
- further develop teaching approaches and adjustments to classroom environments

Workshop 1B & 2B – Neurodiversity and Mental Health

Niki Wilson – Headteacher, Rachel Madocks Special School

In this workshop we will:

- Explore some of the nuances to supporting better mental health for neurodiverse children and young people
- Consider a selection of practical and effective approaches and adjustments we might implement in schools

Workshop 1C & 2C – Making Sense of Autism

Mehal Shah – Co-Headteacher, Henry Tyndale School

Workshop objectives:

- Support to develop personalised planning.
- Gain a better understanding of key areas of differences for students with Autism and SEND.
- To develop strategies for differentiating the curriculum and lessons.
- Effective use of learning support in the classroom ensuring meaningful teaching and learning for pupils.
- Strategies to support individual students in class.