



Independent  
Association of  
Prep Schools

## Emerging with ambition

Wednesday 22 – Friday 24 September 2021

### Annual Conference for IAPS member heads



One would be right in assuming that COVID-19 has monopolised our thinking as heads and teachers in schools. However, it is wrong that any ambition to move our schools and the educational landscape forwards has simply halted. COVID-19 has, indeed, brought challenges to heads as well as tremendous fellowship within districts and across the entire membership.

What has not been halted, though, is the tremendous ambition that our sector has, and the last 12 months have seen our schools lead the way with innovation.

Pre-COVID, this decade was set to be a defining one for education and now, as we look to emerge from the grip of the pandemic, that ambition for our pupils, schools and educational development - in its broadest sense - is stronger than ever.

Our conference this year brings a diverse group of speakers to afford the opportunity to reflect on your leadership, your schools and, above all else, how the sector is truly 'emerging with ambition'.

I look forward to welcoming you to this year's conference.

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## Programme: Wednesday 22 September

1030 onwards	Registration, refreshments and exhibition
1115	<b>New members' welcome</b>
1200	Lunch and exhibition
1300	<b>Emerging with ambition</b>
1305	Vice Chairman's address
1320	<b>Inflating balloons of self-belief</b> - <i>James Shone</i>
1410	IAPS update and state of the nation – <i>Christopher King</i>
1430	<b>Tea and exhibition</b>
1515	<b>Leading in turbulent times: the challenges and opportunities</b> – <i>Baroness Helena Morrissey, DBE</i>
1605	<b>Home issues</b>
1710	<b>Council photo</b>
1725	<b>District time</b>
2000	<b>Evening at own leisure</b>

## Programme: Thursday 23 September

0815	Morning prayers, coffee and exhibition
0845	<b>AGM</b>
0935	<b>Remarkable leadership: give yourself the permission to be courageous</b> – <i>Diana Osagie</i>
1045	<b>Subject seminar sessions</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) <b>The sixteen group: risk and reward</b> – <i>Duncan Murphy</i></li><li>2) <b>Computing, online safety and education technology</b> – <i>Dave Presky</i></li><li>3) <b>Pre-prep and early years: roots to grow and wings to fly</b> – <i>Katie Paynter</i></li><li>4) <b>Achieving an 'excellent' learning success department</b> - <i>Claire Wellington Smith</i></li></ol>
1125	Coffee and exhibition
1210	<b>Seminar session 1</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>A) <b>What does ISEB stand for?</b> – <i>Durell Barnes and Julia Martin, ISEB</i></li><li>B) <b>Prep boarding update</b> – <i>Robin Fletcher, BSA</i></li></ol>

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- C) **Strategic opportunities: mergers, acquisitions and sales** – *Kate Hickey, Harrison Clark Rickerbys*
- D) **Beyond the Classroom (Benefits, Barriers and Best Practice)** – *Andy Carley, School Outdoor Learning*
- E) **Inspections: now and the future** – *ISI*
- F) **Developing coaching cultures in schools** – *Julie Keyes, Educational Consultant*
- G) **Providing opportunities for excellence: fulfilling the potential of ‘children in care’ through bursaries** – *John Towers*
- H) **Building impactful partnerships** – *Christina Astin, Education Consultant*

1250	Lunch and exhibition
1355	<b>Beyond the book: leading in times of change</b> - <i>Clarissa Farr</i>
1500	Seminar session 2
1540	Tea and exhibition
1625	<b>Staff, Pupil Resilience and Mental Health Across IAPS Schools</b> – <i>Dr Kathy Weston</i>
1915	<b>Drink’s reception and conference dinner</b> <b>After-dinner entertainment: The Queen’s Six</b>

## Programme: Friday 24 September

0830	Morning prayers, coffee and exhibition
0900	<b>Nigel Owens, MBE</b>
0950	<b>The mirror and the telescope: what might our post-Covid educational landscape look like?</b> – <i>Geoff Barton</i>
1045	Coffee and exhibition
1125	<b>The new playbook for leaders</b> – <i>David Marquet</i>
1215	<b>The future of learning and the future of assessment</b> - <i>Professor Bill Lucas</i>
1305	Chairman closes conference
1315	Lunch and depart

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