

Programme

Day 1 – 25 May 2017

Andy Whittaker **The Art of Being Brilliant Happiness, leading self and leading others**

We live in a manic society where most people's lives are on permanent fast-forward. The modern workplace is typified by a never ending regime of restructures and budget cuts. Uncertainty prevails. The teaching profession is especially fraught. You are probably going to be 'Ofstedded' one day soon. Standards of pupil behaviour and parental support seem to be on the decline. The only things on the up are Government initiatives and number of hours worked! Outside of work there are family pressures. And society. And the traffic. Oh, and don't forget the weather!

'The Art of Being Brilliant' provides an antidote to the crazy world that typifies modern Britain. This workshop uses cutting edge research to explore how you can be you, brilliantly. We will share some of the 'secrets' of Positive Psychology, focusing on learning new habits of thinking and behaviour that will sustain personal 'brilliance'. It is about the 'whole you' and, as such, is applicable in and out of work.

Our team calls it 'the science of the bleedin' obvious'... yet if it's so obvious, why are so few people doing it?

Angela Foley **Mindful approaches to reducing stress and developing resilience**

This will be an opportunity to explore through theory and some practice some Mindfulness techniques and also to look at other activities that will help develop resilience.

Emerald Thieves – Pre & post dinner entertainment *(back by popular demand)*

A band of Glastonbury regulars with a fantastic international reputation, known for fusing traditional Irish music with modern indie-folk, rock and pop hits. Male & female musicians, electric fiddle, guitars, mandolin, Hammond organ, bass and drums make this powerful band as much fun to watch as they are to dance to. Many members of the band teach in schools and music services in Gateshead and Durham.



Day 2 – 26 May 2017

Dr Andrew Curran **Independent Thinking**

"Twenty-five years of neurobiological research tells us that children learn best when they feel loved"

When you get to hear Andrew speak, you will not only remember it forever but you will also immediately ask yourself why an understanding of the neurobiology of living, loving, learning and growing isn't on the syllabus for all teacher training everywhere? But then not all neurobiologists speak with the same no-nonsense honesty, depth and breadth of knowledge and raw, unnerving passion that Andrew exhibits when he speaks.

A practicing paediatric neurologist at Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool and an Independent Thinking favourite for many years, Andrew makes the complicated workings of the learning brain not simple but understandable. And he does it in such a way that everyone can use what they have learned to improve what goes on in school.

Paul Dix – Pivotal Education

Paul is a speaker, author and notorious teacher wrangler in huge demand. He is CEO of Pivotal Education. As a teacher, leader and teacher trainer Paul has been working with the most difficult behaviours in the most challenging urban schools, referral units and colleges for the last 25 years. Miraculously Paul trained at Homerton College, Cambridge after countless attempts to sabotage his own education.

Paul has advised the Department for Education on Teacher Standards, given evidence to the Education Select Committee and done extensive work with the Ministry of Justice on Behaviour and Restraint in Youth Custody. He has five published titles on behaviour and assessment, writes for Teach Primary Magazine and has over 250 published articles on behaviour. Paul won a National Training Award for his work in helping a school transform in just 9 months.

In the last 12 months Paul has been leading the first wave of Pivotal Instructors trained in the Pivotal Curriculum. He is currently leading a behaviour project across 90 schools in Caerphilly and co-hosting the Pivotal Podcast providing free training to over 100,000 teachers worldwide every week. If you don't recognise his voice you may have seen Paul's face on many of the Pivotal training videos.

In his 'spare time' Paul is Chair of the Board of Directors of the TBAP Trust (Tri Borough Alternative Provision) the UK's first Multi Academy Trust for Alternative Provision. The Trust is based in London and has schools in Kensington and Chelsea, Westminster, Hammersmith and Fulham, Cambridge and Haringey.



Gateshead Headteacher Conference 2017

25 & 26 May 2017, Marriott Hotel, Seaburn 8.30 Registration for a 9am start

Cost: £450 Residential for schools with a Gateshead SLA / £485 Non-SLA
£370 Non-residential for schools with a Gateshead SLA / £405 Non-SLA
£400 Non-residential with dinner for schools with a Gateshead SLA / £435 Non-SLA

Closing Date: 12 May 2017

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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

CANCELLATION: Failure to notify of non-attendance at least 20 working days (residential) or 7 working days (non-residential) ahead of course date will result in the full cost of the course being charged to schools (unless stated otherwise).

CHARGES: Fees will be recovered via journal transfer/invoice (as appropriate) after the training. Where applicable VAT will be added at the standard rate (20%).

PARKING: FREE parking is available within the hotel's own car park.