

DEVELOPING A CULTURE OF SAFEGUARDING EXCELLENCE CONFERENCE

Keynote Speakers include:

Ann Marie Christian

Education Safeguarding Consultant, Author and Speaker

Delyth Lynch

Deputy Head Safeguarding, Wellington College, Speaker and Author

Dr Lewys Brace

Senior Lecturer, University of Exeter, Government Advisor on Extremism

Emma Rothwell

Assistant Head: Inclusion, Equality and Diversity, Deputy DSL & Chaplain. The Perse School, Cambridge

Georgina Chittock-Nash

Group Vice Principal Safeguarding and Pastoral Care, Eastern Colleges Group

Robin Watts

International safeguarding expert, former child abuse investigator for the Metropolitan Police.

David Walker

Deputy Head Pastoral and Wellbeing, Wellington College, former Housemaster and Head of Department



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CONFERENCE AIMS

Students are continuously affected by new and changing risks that can emerge at any time. Designed for 2023, this significant and valuable conference will analyse actions that safeguarding leaders must take across a range of current safeguarding issues.

There has never been a more important time for leaders to create a culture of safeguarding excellence in their schools.

Keynote Educational is proud to offer this conference, which brings together leading experts and practitioners in the field of safeguarding and will explore the specific challenges faced by leaders in 2023. Keynote speakers include **Ann Marie Christian**, *Education Safeguarding Consultant*, focussing on the Emerging Trends and Latest Learning in Safeguarding, **Delyth Lynch**, *Deputy Head Safeguarding, Wellington College*, leading on creating and sustaining a Safeguarding Culture, and **Dr Lewys Brace**, *Senior Lecturer, University of Exeter*, discussing the Threat Posed by Online Extremism and the Incels.

The conference also includes sessions on Tackling Sexual Harassment in Schools, Leading Outstanding DSL Practice, A Whole-School Response to Managing Sexual Misconduct and What Ofsted are looking for in Effective Safeguarding.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Directors of Safeguarding
- Headteachers and Principals
- Deputy and Assistant Heads
- School Governors
- Directors of Pastoral
- Designated Safeguarding Leads
- Deputy DSLs
- Whole Safeguarding Teams

BENEFITS OF ATTENDING

- Hear from leading experts and practitioners who are driving improvements in safeguarding practice
- Find out more about Extremism, the INCELS and the threat posed by mainstream ideologies
- Take away the latest strategies to tackle sexual harassment in schools
- Addressing the hot topics which current DSL's face
- Ways to deal with allegations against staff
- Find out more about sustaining an outstanding safeguarding culture in your schools
- Find out more about what Ofsted are focusing on
- Take away approaches to deal with allegations against staff

PROGRAMME

TIME

Introduction & Welcome

10.00am - 10.10am

KEYNOTE 1: Emerging Trends and Latest Learning in Safeguarding

- An overview of the very latest trends, the cutting edge and hot topics that effect safeguarding in schools
- KCSIE and statutory guidance
- Adulthood, Sexual Violence and Child on Child Abuse

Ann Marie Christian

10.10am - 10.50am

BREAK

10.50am - 11.10am

KEYNOTE 2: Sustaining an Outstanding Safeguarding Culture

- How Leaders and DSLs can create a culture of high-quality, expectations, consistency and standards in safeguarding
- Practical approaches to overcoming the barriers and obstacles to sustaining this culture
- The crucial role of a preventative curriculum

Delyth Lynch

11.10am - 11.50am

KEYNOTE 3: Extremism and the Incels: The Threat Posed by the Mainstreaming of Ideologies

- The threat posed by the mainstreaming of ideologies and youth engagement with the internet
- Details around the increasing number of young people being radicalised by online content.
- How the dynamics of engagement with extremist content has changed
- Ways in which certain young people use the internet; i.e. gaming platforms and mainstreaming of ideas.
- How this is likely to translate to changes in the extremist threat landscape in future years.

Dr Lewys Brace

11.50am - 12.40pm

PROGRAMME *continued*

TIME

LUNCH

12.40pm - 1.40pm

BREAKOUT STRAND 1

1.40pm - 2.35pm

1A Tackling Sexual Harassment in Schools

- The latest on sexual harassment in schools
- Ways in which schools address concerns – preventative measures, respect, education, morals
- The ground-breaking work at Wellington College
- How schools can educate students to have a positive impact on their future communities

**Delyth Lynch
& David Walker**

1B Leading Outstanding DSL Practice

- What makes an outstanding and effective DSL?
- Addressing the hot topics, trends with staff, keeping them up to date throughout the year
- Creating a successful culture of Safeguarding in your school
- Dealing with staff that don't follow policy: how to be exceptional and not merely compliant

Georgina Chittock-Nash

1C Challenging Barriers to Reporting Safeguarding Issues

- Exploring the barriers to reporting safeguarding issues
- A focus on sexual misconduct
- Dealing with shame, developing trauma-informed approaches, supporting reporting and reported pupils, recognising permissive cultures and how to challenge them

Emma Rothwell

1D Online Safety: Protecting Students from Extremism and Misinformation

- What are the main issues/problems for students online?
- Looking at the big picture – educating students on areas such as sexting, nudes, pornography and preparing them for the future
- The evolving landscape what schools can do to mitigate the risks and the impact of students previous viewing
- How to spot disinformation and verify sources

Dr Lewys Brace

BREAK

2.35pm - 2.40pm

BREAKOUT STRAND 1

2.40pm - 3.40pm

2A What Ofsted are looking for in Effective Safeguarding

- How can we secure an outstanding grade for Ofsted?
- The effectiveness of schools in dealing with child on child abuse
- How schools handle allegations of sexual abuse and violence
- How schools ensure strong DSL leadership

Robin Watts

2B A Whole-School Response to Managing Sexual Misconduct

- A whole-school distributive model of managing sexual misconduct
- How schools meet their legislative duties and implement a person-centred response to sexually harmful behaviours
- How schools can manage institutional risk and support staff
- How to mitigate issues of vicarious trauma

Emma Rothwell

2C The Challenges of Dealing with Allegations against Staff

- Ensuring clarity between low level concerns and more serious allegations
- Effective approaches to managing investigations and allegations against staff
- Creating a culture of vigilance in schools: personal values and how these can have an impact

Ann Marie Christian

2D Ensuring Consistency of Safeguarding Practice Across the Whole School

- Ensuring your single central record is in good order in preparation for inspection
- Action planning and thematic calendars – are staff and students up to date?
- Stakeholder mapping – effectively communicating and applying your safeguarding strategy

Georgina Chittock-Nash

Keynote Speakers

Ann Marie Christian is a safeguarding practitioner and a qualified social worker since 1996. She has worked for various local authorities on the front line, management, Local Safeguarding Children Board Trainer, LADO, Safeguarding advisor to schools, school improvement advisor, Designated Safeguarding Lead trainer and Designated Safeguarding Lead coordinator. She is well known amongst her peers and is very passionate about keeping children safe, she has specialised within education and childcare settings since being a school based social worker in 1999. She has managed a Child Protection Team for a Local Authority and supported 75 local schools with child protection advice, training and consultancy.

Delyth Lynch is Deputy Head for Safeguarding at Wellington College in Berkshire, having over 22 years' experience of teaching and senior leadership in independent schools. Passionate about the area of safeguarding, she was awarded the Boarding Schools Research Fellowship in 2018. Her work has been cited by IICSA and she speaks regularly around the issue of culture within schools and the work that she has pioneered at Wellington around Values, Behaviours and Attitudes interviewing and low-level concerns. This work was recently recognised on the national stage by being awarded the Safeguarding and Child Protection Association's 'Outstanding initiative award'. A co-author of the Farrer & Co guides, "Developing and implementing a low-level concerns policy: A guide for organisations which work with children" and "Addressing child-on-child abuse: a resource for schools and colleges".

Dr Lewys Brace advises the government on extremism and is a Senior Lecturer in Computational Social Science at the University of Exeter, where he specialises in extremism and terrorism, cybercrime, open-source intelligence, and computational research methods. His work currently focuses on online radicalisation and has involved projects that have looked at the far-right and the incel movements. His research currently focuses on online extremist radicalisation and his work has appeared in journals such as Terrorism and Political Violence, Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression, Studies in Conflict & Terrorism, and Perspectives on Terrorism.

Emma Rothwell is Assistant Head - Inclusion, Equality & Diversity, Chaplain and a Safeguarding Lead for the Perse school. Her current work involves driving a whole-school inductive strategy for inclusion and innovating best practice in safeguarding and managing sexual misconduct at school, local and national level. She has developed educational programmes for national use, overseen significant institutional change and worked on compliance. Emma has over 20 years of experience in education, as a teacher, pastoral leader, in school management and developing national strategy.

Georgina Chittock-Nash is Group Vice Principal for Students across the Eastern Colleges Group and has overall responsibility for pastoral care and safeguarding. With vast curriculum leadership experience as well as wrap around care, she is well placed to be able to see the whole picture and how it is imperative for a safeguarding culture to be led from the very top. She has very recent Ofsted experience and has worked at Outstanding sixth form colleges for 20 years, 16 of which have been in a leadership post.

Robin Watts is an international safeguarding expert and independent trainer specialising in delivering child protection training to schools. He has delivered safeguarding training to over 280 international schools in over 70 countries worldwide. He has delivered safeguarding training, and assisted in the child protection procedures, policies, and practices. He also supports schools to get ready for the Ofsted inspection process and, to date, all schools he has worked with have achieved 'Outstanding' in the safeguarding arena. He is a former murder detective for the Metropolitan Police and during the latter part of his career worked predominantly in the child abuse arena, spending 5 years as a child abuse investigator before becoming a trainer/instructor/consultant.

David Walker is Deputy Head for Pastoral and Wellbeing at Wellington College in Berkshire where he has previously been a Housemaster and Head of Department. David began his career at Clifton College in Bristol and has also worked at Whitgift School, as Head of Senior School at the Stephen Perse Foundation in Cambridge, and as a VSO volunteer teacher in Cameroon.



“ Superb. A supreme amount of experience and knowledge shared in such a generous and sensitive way. I was really impressed and it gave me so much to focus on and implement within the school. ”

Mayville High School, March 2022

“ Fantastic Day – great to network and delve into Ofsted framework to highlight areas to focus on. Good pace and very informative. ”

Assistant Principal, Worcester Academy, March 2022

“ All speakers were excellent, engaging, approachable, thought provoking! ”

Northwest Technology College, January 2022

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