

AUTUMN STUDY CONFERENCE 2025

Leading a Resilient School

Chesford Grange Hotel – Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 November

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Tuesday

09.45	Registration and refreshments with the ISA partner exhibitors in The Grange
10.15	Welcome and Introduction: Rudi Elliott Lockhart, ISA CEO, and Jonathan Hetherington, ISA National Chair 2025/26
	<i>Today's programme is hosted by Jonathan Hetherington, ISA Chair and Headmaster of More House School</i>
10.25	Welcome from Headline Sponsor, Anderson Quigley
10.35	
Keynote 1:	Catrina Lowri: Celebrating Neurodiversity and what that means in the classroom <i>Catrina will pause at 11am for two-minutes of silence to commemorate Armistice Day</i>
11.30	Morning break with exhibitors
11.55	
Keynote 2:	Karen Gracie-Langrick, Colchester Prep and High School and Leanne Hughes, Holme Grange: Sustainability
12.40	Lunch with exhibitors
1.40	
Breakout Sessions	Your choice of breakout session: Catrina Lowri: Meaningful social interaction without masking William Wadsworth: Thinking Harder, Learning Smarter: Unleashing the Psychology of Desirable Difficulties to Build Masterful Learners Rachel Hadley-Leonard: 50 Ways to Stand Out: practical marketing ideas that work! Helen Barsham: Giving Control Back to Students in Exam Situations
2.40	Refreshments with exhibitors
3.10	Lee McHugh: Graduate Recruitment and Human Capital Development
3.20	Kathy Weston: Defining and Cultivating Resilience in School Communities
4.00	
Breakout Sessions	Your choice of breakout session: Kathy Weston: 10 Ways to Ensure Pupils are Academically, Emotionally and Digitally Resilient Andrew Hammond: Unlocking creativity (for staff and pupils) Bronia Grehan: Equality, Diversity and Inclusion practices. Are you getting them right? Martin Knights, AQ: Good Governance
5.00	Access to bedrooms at the ISA registration desk
6.45	Drinks Reception with the ISA National Art Exhibition in The Kenilworth Bar/Foyer
7.30	Dinner (Black Tie) in the Kenilworth Suite
	Followed by the ISA National Awards Ceremony 2025 hosted by Sons of Pitches

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from 7.30 Breakfast
in the **River Room**

8.30 Refreshments
In the **Grange**

Today's programme is hosted by Natasha Dangerfield, ISA Vice Chair

9.00
Keynote 3: Brendan Pavey: The impact of mental health challenges on children, families and leaders

9.45
Keynote 4: Leanna Barrett and Steve Cottrell, Liberty Woodland School: School designed for the future

10.15
Keynote 5: Yasmina Kone, Hemisphere Education and Jemma Holroyd, Queen Ethelburga's: The power of inclusion: empower staff, improve outcomes and build belonging (Fireside chat)

11.00 Refreshments with exhibitors
Winning pieces from **ISA National Art Exhibition** on display in the **Events Centre Foyer**

11.30
Keynote 6: Sara Cunnane, ISC: Media Training (practical session)

12.00
Keynote 7: Claire Robinson: Resilient Leadership

12.50 **Exhibitor Prize Draw**
Followed by **Closing Remarks:** Rudi Elliott Lockhart, ISA CEO, and **Jonathan Heatherington**, ISA National Chair 2025/26

1.00 Lunch and Depart
in **The River Room**