

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: Leading Schools to a Sustainable Future: Practical Solutions and Action Plans for Lasting Impact
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: Expanding Opportunities for your pupils through Student Internships
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: Inclusive Recruitment: Are you getting it right? Andrew Lewer and Helene Usherwood: Good Governance; how do we check and challenge in a rapidly evolving sector
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 <i>sponsored by GO 4 Schools</i>
7.30	Dinner (Black Tie) in the Kenilworth Suite <i>sponsored by Team Super Sports</i>
	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
<i>Today's programme is hosted by Natasha Dangerfield, ISA Vice Chair</i>	
9.00 Keynote 3:	Brendan Pavey: The impact of mental health challenges on children, families and leaders
9.45 Keynote 4:	Leanna Barrett, Steve Cottrell and Mark Bishop, Liberty Woodland School: School designed for the future
10.10	Comfort break
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 Breakout Sessions	Your choice of breakout session: Simon Nathan in conversation with Jonathan Hetherington: SEND: Potential Funding Impact of the White Paper Sarah Cunnane: Media Training (practical session)
12.00 Keynote 6:	Claire Robinson: Resilient Leadership
12.50	Exhibitor Prize Draw Followed by Closing Remarks: Rudi Elliott Lockhart, ISA CEO, and Jonathan Hetherington , ISA National Chair 2025/26
1.00	Lunch and Depart in The River Room