



# Mental Health & Wellbeing in Schools 2025

**EXPERT SPEAKERS INCLUDE:** 

**Rae Snape** 

Headteacher, Milton Road Primary School **Oliver Welsby** 

Lead Consultant, Brightcore Consultancy Emma Nole-Pinnock

The Essential Education Group

Alice Newton-Leeming

Founder, Mental Health Learning

## **Partnership**

Build strong, effective home-school partnerships

## **Culture**

Cultivate a school culture with wellbeing is at its heart.

## **Empower**

Capture and amplify student voice to empower your pupils.



# Why is this conference relevant?

The Mental Health &
Wellbeing in Schools
conference returns to
London for its 19th year. Join
educators and practitioners
dedicated to improving
positive mental health
outcomes for young people.

Our chair, Rae Snape, alongside a lineup of wellbeing experts, will share insights and tools to help you promote wellbeing and support the mental health of your school community.

Develop a whole-school approach to wellbeing and network with other school leaders as you equip yourself with the latest insights, practical strategies and resources. Benefit from five hot topic keynote sessions and a choice of nine engaging workshops. Gain fresh ideas, realistic strategies and an increased confidence to strengthen your wellbeing provision. Return to school ready to implement meaningful change from which your students will benefit.



## The Benefits

#### **Strategy**

Strengthen and refine your school's mental health and wellbeing strategy.

#### **Connect**

Exchange best practice, expand your peer network and connect with professionals.

#### **Refresh**

Refresh your toolkit with new insights, practical strategies and ready-to-implement ideas.















# **Programme**

### Thursday, 13 November 2025 • 15Hatfields, London

08:30 - 08:50	Registration		
08:50 - 09:15	Networking, refreshments and exhibition		
09:15 - 09:20	Welcome and housekeeping from Optimus Education		
09:15 - 09:25	Chair's welcome Rae Snape, Headteacher, Milton Road Primary School		
09:25 - 09:55	Whole school culture of wellbeing: from stress to success  Cultivate a school culture where wellbeing is at the heart of every aspect of your school community.  Rae Snape, Headteacher, Milton Road Primary School		
09:55 - 10:25	Strengthening pupil voice in wellbeing Gain fresh strategies to capture and amplify student voice to enhance your wellbeing provision.  Oliver Welsby, Lead Consultant, Brightcore Consultancy		
10:25 - 10:45	Keynote 3		
10:45 - 10:55	Facilitated questions and answer using <u>www.sli.do</u> #oeWellbeing		

#### 11:35 - 12:25 Workshop choices one

#### 1A: EBSA strategy

10:55 - 11:35

Develop a strong strategy to reduce anxiety around school attendance. Foster a supportive culture by working with families and developing effective reintegration plans. *ImpactEd* 

#### 1B: Bereavement and grief

Morning refreshments, networking and exhibition

Support bereaved pupils to maximise their chances of successfully managing their grief in school and minimises the likelihood of negative outcomes later in life.

Lisa Lowe, Bereavement Support Manager, and Keith Wadsworth, Secretary, Stand by me

#### 1C: AI and wellbeing

Enhance your pastoral role through innovative use of AI and gain insights into hidden wellbeing trends.

#### 12:25 - 13:20 Lunch, networking, and exhibition

13:20 - 13:40 Keynote 4

#### 13:45 - 14:35 Workshop choices two

#### 2A: SEND: Beyond the label

Support the wellbeing of neurodiverse students by looking beyond the labels and building inclusive culture.

**Emma Nole-Pinnock**, Founder, The Essential Education Group

#### 2B: Building belonging: primary

Support pupils develop a sense of belonging, equipping them with essential skills to build healthy relationships, communicate effectively, and navigate friendship challenges.

Rae Snape, Headteacher, Milton Road Primary School

## 2C: Empowering educators: a guide to suicide prevention education

Enhance your awareness and confidence in safely and effectively teaching suicide prevention to young people in schools.

**Alice Newton-Leeming**, Director, Mental Health Learning Ltd.

#### 14:35 - 14:55 Afternoon refreshments, networking and exhibition

#### 14:55 - 15:45 Workshop choices three

## 3A: Parental mental health and complex families

Develop strong relationships with parents facing challenges, while providing effective pupil support.

#### 3B: Addressing boys' mental health

Recognise the often hidden signs of mental health challenges and build a culture of open dialogue.

**Will Adolphy**, Head of Education & Facilitator, M-Path

#### 3C: Pressure and perfectionism

Support students to navigate pressure, stress and perfectionism while building resilience and promoting wellbeing.

**Kitty Jack-Thomas,** Development and Transition Coach, Pegasus Coaching

#### 15:50 - 16:20 The science of wellbeing

Five evidence-based techniques for staff and students to reduce stress, avoid burnout and optimise performance. *Chris Misselbrook*, *Director*, *MindFirst Education Ltd*.

#### 16:20 Conference close



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Head of PSHE and Wellbeing, Blackheath High School 'Best event I've been to! Very well planned and the workshops will hugely impact my work.'

Mental Health Lead, Harbourn Academy

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