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27 NOVEMBER – 29 NOVEMBER 2024

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In the face of challenges presented by the funding shortfall, increased SEND numbers, and recruitment competition, the landscape for trusts has changed significantly over the last year. Building in strong, tested strategies and making difficult decisions has become crucial to secure a sustainable, high-quality MAT.

The 9th annual MATs Summit brings educational leaders from across the country together, to share their best practice, have open and honest conversations about the pitfalls they've encountered, and have important face-to-face time to strategise with their whole team.

Take away processes to make you stand out as an employer of choice, lead with confidence and impact, keep high-performing staff, and operate efficiently and sustainably from the centre. Work collaboratively with other MAT leaders to develop new strategies, refine ongoing practice, and build lasting connections for ongoing improvement.

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Wednesday 27 November 2024

19:00 – 22:00 Drinks reception

Thursday 28 November 2024

09:00 – 09:40 Registration and coffee in exhibition space

09:40 – 09:45 Welcome and housekeeping
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09:45 – 10:00 **Chair's introduction and welcome**
Laura McInerney, Education Journalist and Co-Founder, Teacher Tapp

10:00 – 10:30 **My top five tips for MAT leaders**
Take away insight from more than 10 years of executive experience, including what pitfalls you might encounter, and how to overcome them.
Jon Chaloner, Leadership Adviser and Former CEO, GLF Schools

10:30 – 11:00 **Revisioning trusts in a digital and AI infused landscape**
Take away practical next steps to support your trust with insights and lessons from those at the forefront of digital and AI in schools, and catch up on the latest trends in the sector.
Dr. Fiona Aubrey-Smith, Founder, PedTech

11:00 – 11:10 Q&A

11:10 – 11:50 Morning refreshments and networking with exhibitors

11:50 – 12:40 Workshop choices one

1A: Sustainable financial strategy
Improve the quality of education at all schools within your trust with increased collaboration and opportunity.

1B: Intelligent growth
Explore the challenges of growth and ensure that you are growing from a child and community-centric perspective.
Jon Chaloner, Leadership Adviser and Former CEO, GLF Schools

1C: Recruitment: what can you offer?
Establish yourself as an employer of choice with recruitment strategies that are attractive and cost-efficient.
Mandy Coalter, Founder, Talent Architects

1D: Sustainability at scale
Accelerate your decarbonisation journey and involve your whole-trust community in your environmental strategy.

12:40 – 13:40 Lunch and networking with exhibitors

13:40 – 14:05 Surveying the political landscape

14:05 – 14:40 **Mythbusting mergers**
Hear from trusts who have recently been through a merger process. Understand the pitfalls, how it actually looks, and what practical elements you need in place.

14:40 – 15:10 **Sensible and affordable staff retention strategies**
Retain staff and develop your next leaders with a robust people strategy that works on the ground and ensures you're a more attractive employer.
Mandy Coalter, Founder, Talent Architects

15:10 – 15:20 Q&A

15:20 – 15:40 Afternoon refreshments and networking with exhibitors

15:40 – 16:30		Workshop choices two	
<p>2A: Centralisation of finances and budget pooling</p> <p>Effectively centralise your finance strategy during growth, from winning hearts and minds through to the practical implementation.</p> <p><i>Sean Pinhay CFOO, and Simon Hague, CEO, Crofty MAT</i></p>	<p>2B: Deepen your inclusive provision</p> <p>Increase inclusivity and expertise across your trust by collaborating with specialist provision.</p> <p><i>Rachel Quick, Interim Trust CEO, The Wherry School</i></p> <p><i>Mark Unwin, CEO, Create Partnership Trust</i></p>	<p>2C: Proving quality as a trust</p> <p>Evidence your strengths against the trust quality descriptors to prove growth capacity.</p>	<p>2D: Develop your IT strategy</p> <p>Transform your digital strategy into a tangible reality and understand what effective digital leadership looks like.</p>
16:30 – 19:00		Informal time for networking and relaxation	
19:00 – 20:00		Drinks reception	
20:00 – 22:00		Gala dinner with entertainment	
Friday 29 November 2024			
09:00 – 09:30		Registration and coffee in exhibition space	
09:30 – 10:00		<p>Chair's welcome and educational trends</p> <p><i>Laura McInerney, Education Journalist and Co-Founder of Teacher Tapp</i></p>	
10:00 – 10:30		<p>School improvement at scale</p> <p>Collaborate across your trust with clear lines of communication to ensure you're creating opportunities for conversations around improvement and capturing best practice.</p> <p><i>Martin Fitzwilliam, National Director of Primary, E-ACT</i></p>	
10:30 – 10:40		Q&A	
10:40 – 11:15		Morning refreshments, networking, and exhibition	
11:15 – 12:00		Workshop choices three	
<p>3A: AI: how it can help you now</p> <p>Use AI to improve efficiencies in your trust and understand where the technology can currently help you save time and money.</p>	<p>3B: Centralise your estates team</p> <p>Cut costs significantly by bringing your estates team in-house and create a more streamlined process.</p> <p><i>Michael McCarthy, CEO, and Nathan Millington, Head of Estates and Operations, Consilium Academies</i></p>	<p>3C: Improve your governance structure</p> <p>Learn what others have done to stay compliant with the governance guides and improve the flow of information between the governors and the trust.</p> <p><i>Mark Blois, Partner, Browne Jacobson LLP.</i></p>	<p>3D: Effective mentoring</p> <p>Deliver support to new or potential leaders to deepen their experience and improve your overall trust performance.</p>
12:00 – 12:30		<p>Resilient organisations start with strong succession plans</p> <p>Develop the next leaders in your trust so you can backfill in case of trust growth, promotion, departure, or absence.</p> <p><i>Jonny Uttley, CEO, The Education Alliance</i></p>	
12:35		Conference ends	

Speakers



Laura McInerney
Education Journalist and Founder, Teacher Tapp (Chair)



Dr Fiona Aubrey-Smith
Founder, PedTech



Mark Blois
Partner, Browne Jacobson LLP



Jon Chaloner
Leadership Advisor, Former Trust CEO



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