



#tEdFest **EXMOUTH**

THURSDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2026

EXMOUTH
COMMUNITY
COLLEGE

WELCOME TO

**tEdFest 26*

Welcome to tEdFest 2026

It is with great excitement that we welcome you to this year's tEdFest, a celebration of learning, collaboration and the incredible expertise that exists across our Trust.

Last year's festival brought together more than 1,600 colleagues for a truly inspiring day of professional learning. The impact of that event was recognised through our nomination and shortlisting for the MAT Excellence Awards for Staff Development, a reflection of the passion, generosity and commitment of so many people across our community. We are so proud of you all.

This year's programme continues that spirit. Whether you are looking to deepen your classroom practice, strengthen your leadership skills, explore new ideas in education, or invest in your wellbeing, there is something here for everyone. Our programme reflects the breadth of talent and experience within our schools, alongside the insights and expertise of our valued external contributors and partners.

At the heart of tEdFest is a belief that we are stronger together. Every session represents a colleague or partner willing to share their knowledge, spark new thinking and support the growth of others. To all our facilitators and our host schools, Exmouth Community College, St James and Tor Bridge High, thank you. Your enthusiasm, expertise and generosity make this day possible.

We hope you will be inspired, challenged and energised by the opportunities ahead. Take some time to explore the programme, be ambitious in your choices, and book early for the sessions that excite you most. We cannot wait to come together once again for what promises to be another unforgettable day of learning, connection and celebration.

Happy booking, and we look forward to seeing you at tEdFest 2026!



BUILD YOUR PERFECT DAY

How to build your perfect day:

1



Browse the brochures

Take some time to browse through our brochures and choose the sessions you'd like to attend.

2



Note the letters

Note down your preferences for sessions you are most interested in.

Keynote
(1 slot)

A

B

C

D

E

Workshop
(2 slots)

AB

BC

CD

DE

COVER ALL FIVE LETTERS

Make sure your sessions cover 1 of each letter.

3



Remember - Workshops cover 2 slots.

4



Add a lunch break?

An optional lunch break can cover one slot. Book a lunch break in C, D or E.

Lunch
C

or

Lunch
D

or

Lunch
E

5



Book on TedLearn

When bookings open on TedLearn, log on and book your courses. Information on the TedLearn launch will be shared via email.

TedLearn

EXAMPLE DAYS



There are lots of ways to cover all five letters!



Covers **A B C D E**



Covers **A B C D E**



REMEMBER!



Plan ahead. Check your letters.
Cover **A, B, C, D** and **E!**

GET TO KNOW YOUR VENUE

EXMOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Proudly hosting tEdFest 2026

“At Exmouth Community College, we believe in creating opportunities for every young person to thrive, belong and achieve.”



QUICK FACTS



LOCATION
Exmouth,
Devon



STUDENTS
Over 2,000+
students



SETTING
Coastal
Devon setting



HERITAGE
59 years
serving the
community



TRUST
Joined the Ted
Wragg Trust in
2025



CAMPUS
Two sites

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT EXMOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE?

From tackling the Jurassic Coast Challenge and skiing in Austria to excelling in the International Chemistry Olympiad, performing in The Blend 2026 and exploring future pathways through careers events, Exmouth students have enjoyed a year full of challenge, achievement and opportunity.



tEdFest ESSENTIALS



TRANSPORT
No onsite parking
available



REFRESHMENTS
Tea, coffee and
refreshments
provided



ARRIVAL
Green Close main
reception



ACCESSIBILITY
Fully accessible
venue



HELPDESK
Support desk
available
throughout the day



LUNCH
Lunch provided



A huge thank you to Exmouth for hosting tEdFest 26. We look forward to welcoming our colleagues for a fantastic day of professional development!



Exmouth
Community
College

The #tEdFest Experience

Our first #tEdFest brought colleagues from across our Trust together to share ideas, build connections and explore a wide range of professional learning. Before you discover the 2026 offer, take a look back at some of last year's highlights and hear what colleagues had to say.



WATCH OUR 2025 HIGHLIGHTS

See #tEdFest in action



https://youtu.be/8l2_8N6q16l?si=H-G47zN62ggclwk-



Scan to watch

What You said

“

Sector leading opportunity

“

tEdFest reminded me how proud I am of the work we do together

“

The opportunity to develop our own practice was fantastic

“

It was so nice to see so many different schools coming together.

“

Such a fantastic buzz around everywhere

“

Every session offered something new, and I came away with ideas I can actually use and build on

“

Each facilitator was passionate, engaging and knowledgeable

“

The thought, attention to detail and sense of belonging it fostered were like nothing I have ever experienced before.

“

It was the best CPD I have ever experienced; from the breadth of the offer to the execution on the day.

“

It was a lovely networking day, and the knowledge I have gained I will be able to put into practice.

“

It was the most uplifting and inspiring day I have been involved in.

🕒 09:50 – 10:50

KEYNOTES

SLOT **A**

**Can we educate
for 'Character'?**

● All

👤 Tom Inman

**Click Less, Do
More: Everyday
Tech Time-
Savers**

● All

👤 Michael Emerton

**CPR and
Defibrillator
Training**

● All

👤 Devon Air
Ambulance

**From Reactive to
Strategic
(Protecting
headspace to lead
well)**

● All

👤 Gemma Wills

**Introduction to
your mortgage
benefit**

● All

👤 Scott Rawlings

**Journeying into
Sound**

● All

👤 Sally Wilson

**Leading
Successful
Implementation**

● All

👤 Alex Evans

**Mastering our
new finance
system**

● All

👤 Christine Jillians

**Personal
Development &
Wellbeing:
Expected to Strong**

● All

👤 Simon White

**SEND Talk and
Support**

● All

👤 Mo Marchant

**The Future of
Classroom
Management
Starts Here**

● All

👤 Derek Van Wyk &
Jo Eames

**The Quiet
Classroom -
Silent Disco!**

● All

👤 SilentDiscos4U



**FULLY
BOOKED**



09:50 – 11:50

WORKSHOPS

SLOT

AB

Drums4Health

● All

👤 Tamsin Ward

Floristry Bouquet Making

● All

👤 Bicton College

From Data to Decisions

● Secondary Teachers
& Co-professionals

👤 Gemma Wills

Supporting Attention, Impulsivity, and Hyperactivity Needs

● All

👤 Tom Andrew

The Traitors Game

● All

👤 Dan Leverton

Wirework Craft Making

● All

👤 Bicton College



FULLY
BOOKED



11:00 – 11:50

KEYNOTES

SLOT **B**



Headliners



The New Dawn of Trusts

● All

👤 Moira Marder

Developing A Culture of Belonging and Mattering

● All

👤 Mohamed Abdallah

CPR and Defibrillator Training

● All

👤 Devon Air Ambulance

Eyes of the Examiner Lang Paper 1

● Secondary Teachers

👤 Ellie Boyce

How Collaboration Can Help Languages Survive

● Secondary Teachers

👤 Michael Slavinsky

SEND Talk and Support

● All

👤 Mo Marchant

The Dark Arts of Headteaching

● All Teachers & Leaders/Aspiring Leaders

👤 Martin Brook

The Quiet Classroom – Silent Disco!

● All

👤 SilentDiscos4U

Understanding your Local Government Pension

● Co-professionals

👤 Mark Griffin & Katie Metherell

Your Brain, Your Superpower: Navigating ADHD & Neurodivergence at Work

● All

👤 Chloe Fox



**FULLY
BOOKED**



11:00 – 12:50

WORKSHOPS

SLOT

BC

**Crafting a bit of
Calm**

● All

👤 Grace Williams

**Difficult
Conversations:
From Conflict to
Connection**

● All

👤 Jen Fook

**ECC Community
Mural**

● All

👤 Jon Perry



**FULLY
BOOKED**



12:00 – 12:50

KEYNOTES

SLOT

C

Click Less, Do More: Everyday Tech Time-Savers

● All

👤 Michael Emerton

CPR and Defibrillator Training

● All

👤 Devon Air Ambulance

Designed to Belong

● All

👤 Ben McGowan

English Subject Networking

● Secondary Teachers

👤 Lydia Vowden

It's Your Turn: Taking Charge of Your Career Development

● All

👤 Emma King

Leading Neurodiverse Talent: Practical Support for Managers of ADHD & Neurodivergent Staff

● All

👤 Chloe Fox

The Quiet Classroom – Silent Disco!

● All

👤 SilentDiscos4U

You Do You (Just Better)

● All

👤 Christopher Tribble

Please feel free to take your lunch break during Slot C, D or E.



**FULLY
BOOKED**



12:00 – 13:50

WORKSHOPS

SLOT

CD

**Develop
Family-Informed
Safeguarding
Practice**

● All

👤 Aimee Mitchell-
White

**Seeding and
Planting**

● All

👤 Bicton College



**FULLY
BOOKED**



13:00 – 13:50

KEYNOTES

SLOT

D



Headliner



Exploring Masculinities

● All

👤 Paul Clark

CPR and Defibrillator Training

● All

👤 Devon Air Ambulance

Metacognition and Oracy

● All

👤 Nathan Burns

The Quiet Classroom – Silent Disco!

● All

👤 SilentDiscos4U

You Do You (Just Better)

● All

👤 Christopher Tribble

Please feel free to take your lunch break during Slot C, D or E.



FULLY
BOOKED

🕒 13:00 – 14:50

WORKSHOPS

SLOT **DE**

Animal Handling

● All

👤 Bicton College

Exam Officers Best Practise

● Exam
Officers/Admin Staff

👤 Katherine Jones

Exploring Biodiversity in our School Ecosystems

● All

👤 Ella Boston

Setting the Emotional Climate as Leaders

● All Teachers &
Co-professionals

👤 Jamie Engineer

Supporting Attention, Impulsivity, and Hyperactivity Needs

● All

👤 Tom Andrew

Traitors-Style Murder Mystery

● All

👤 Rachael Prior &
Sam Prior



**FULLY
BOOKED**

🕒 14:00 – 14:50

KEYNOTES

SLOT

E



Headliner



Me, AI, and My Kids

● All

👤 Tim Rutherford

Handling Complaints and Conflict with Integrity

● All

👤 Gemma Wills

Managing Complaints: De-escalation, Investigation & Resolution

● All Teachers & Co-professionals

👤 Jayne Powney

Strengthening Post-16 Pedagogy

● All Teachers

👤 Chris Trengrove

Supporting Struggling Readers Across the Curriculum

● All Teachers

👤 Lindsay Skinner

The Quiet Classroom – Silent Disco!

● All

👤 SilentDiscos4U

Please feel free to take your lunch break during Slot C, D or E.



FULLY
BOOKED

 09:50 – 14:50

ALL DAY

SLOT **ABCDE**

**Art &
Photography
Sharing Best
Practice**

 Secondary
Teachers

 Renata Eyre



**FULLY
BOOKED**

OUR 2026 COURSES

ALL

ANIMAL HANDLING

A small animal handling session is an interactive educational experience designed to teach participants how to safely pet, hold, and interact with creatures which may include small mammals, reptiles, and insects. These sessions focus on building confidence while ensuring the animals remain calm. Our staff can provide fascinating facts about the animal's biology, diets and habitats.



Workshop (2 slots)



Available in slot:

DE



FULLY BOOKED

Facilitated by



Bicton College

SECONDARY TEACHERS

ART & PHOTOGRAPHY SHARING BEST PRACTICE

This event offers a variety of hands-on practical workshops led by experienced teachers and subject leaders within our trust, covering both traditional and contemporary techniques. The aim of this day is to reconnect with your own artistic practice, share expertise with fellow teachers, and gather fresh, classroom-ready strategies to inspire your students. Whether you're looking to explore new materials or revisit core skills, this session will enable you to feel inspired with fresh ideas to develop your curriculum.



All day



This is a full day session with smaller practical workshops running throughout the day.

Facilitated by



Renata Eyre

Art & Photography
Network Lead/ HOD,
Sidmouth College

ALL

CAN WE EDUCATE FOR 'CHARACTER'?

"Intelligence plus character - that is the true goal of education" (Martin Luther King). This session will explore the background to and definition of character education, including the way that schools across the UK are approaching it, and consider how we might (individually or together) take further steps to develop our approach to character education in preparing our young people for life.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:

A



FULLY BOOKED

Facilitated by



Tom Inman

Headteacher,
Exmouth Community
College

ALL

CLICK LESS, DO MORE: EVERYDAY TECH TIME-SAVERS

A fast-paced, practical IT session designed to help staff work more efficiently by discovering simple shortcuts and time-saving techniques. Staff will learn simple tips that can make a big difference - from keyboard shortcuts and quicker ways to find information, to making better use of Microsoft 365 applications, including Copilot. The focus is on easy, practical tips that can be used immediately, helping staff reduce repetitive tasks, save time, and feel more confident using everyday technology. Staff are also encouraged to bring along their own favourite tips, shortcuts and time-savers to share with the group - because the best ideas often come from each other!



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:

A

C



FULLY BOOKED

Facilitated by



Michael Emerton

IT Team, Shared
Services



Please bring your laptop to this session. Ideal for beginners or those less confident with technology.

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SECONDARY TEACHERS

CPR AND DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

A CPR and Defibrillator training session delivered by local charity Devon Air Ambulance.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **A** **B** **C** **D - FULLY BOOKED**

Facilitated by



Devon Air Ambulance

ALL

CRAFTING A BIT OF CALM

Life is often a whirlwind, and our own heads usually end up at the bottom of the pile. Join Grace for a relaxed, hands-on session where we'll make a simple, handmade journal from scratch. There's no pressure to be 'artistic' or a 'proper writer', it's just a chance to sit down and learn a few easy ways to get your thoughts on paper when things feel a bit much.

 Workshop (2 slots)

 Available in slot: **BC**

 **FULLY BOOKED**

Facilitated by



Grace Williams
Strengthening
Communities Trust
Leader, Ted Wragg
Trust

ALL

DESIGNED TO BELONG

People rarely remember the details of a project, meeting, lesson or event, but they do remember how it made them feel. Drawing on experiences from education, leadership, team development and running a community music festival, Ben explores how belonging, joy and community are built through relationships and trust. Through a blend of personal stories, reflection and practical examples, this session invites attendees to consider the role they play in helping others feel seen, connected and able to flourish.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **C**

Facilitated by



Ben McGowan
Director of
Infrastructure, Ted
Wragg Trust

ALL

DEVELOP FAMILY-INFORMED SAFEGUARDING PRACTICE

This session explores how a Think Family approach strengthens safeguarding by recognising the interconnected needs of children and those who care for them. Participants will develop practical strategies to understand family context, build trusting relationships, and identify how best to support families to protect their children. Through applied examples and reflective activities, the session builds confidence in delivering compassionate, family-informed safeguarding practice that keeps the child's safety and voice at the centre.

 Workshop (2 slots)

 Available in slot: **CD**

Facilitated by



Aimee Mitchell-
White
Trust Lead for
Safeguarding &
Attendance, Ted Wragg
Trust

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DEVELOPING A CULTURE OF BELONGING AND MATTERING

This workshop explores how practitioners can create everyday cultures where children feel they belong and know they matter. Moving from theory into practice, we will consider how belonging and mattering are built through small interactions, classroom routines, relational practice and whole-school systems. Participants will reflect on what pupils experience, what adults communicate, and how schools can intentionally create environments where every child feels valued and able to add value.

 Workshop (2 slots) |  Available in slot: **BC**

Facilitated by



Mohamed Abdallah

South West Regional
Director, The Reach
Foundation

ALL

DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS: FROM CONFLICT TO CONNECTION

In this interactive workshop participants dive into some of the research on restoring relationships in the face of conflict and consider a framework for having difficult conversations. If you want to build confidence in navigating sensitive topics and de-escalating tense situations, this is the workshop for you! You'll learn practical strategies for staying calm under pressure, setting boundaries with empathy, and fostering respectful dialogue. Through scenarios and reflective exercises, you'll leave equipped to handle conflict with clarity, compassion and professionalism.

 Workshop (2 slots) |  Available in slot: **BC**

Facilitated by



Jen Fook

Executive Director of
Communications,
Operations and Growth,
Ted Wrang Trust

ALL

DRUMS4HEALTH

What happens when you combine movement, rhythm and connection? Drums4Health is an innovative wellbeing experience bringing together drumming and movement to create a powerful whole-body approach to physical, emotional and brain health. This interactive session explores how rhythm and movement can support wellbeing, engagement and neuroplasticity whilst creating an inclusive experience that works across ages and abilities. Expect movement, laughter, participation and perhaps to discover that you've exercised far more than you realised.

 Workshop (2 slots) |  Available in slot: **AB**

 **FULLY BOOKED**

Facilitated by



Tamsin Ward

Director,
Drums4Health

ALL

ECC COMMUNITY MURAL

Assist in the painting of a vibrant, uplifting design onto one of ECC's outdoor spaces. Art specialists will be on hand!

 Workshop (2 slots) |  Available in slot: **BC**

 Art supplies will be provided.

Facilitated by



Jon Perry

Head of Art, Exmouth
Community College

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SECONDARY TEACHERS

ENGLISH SUBJECT NETWORKING

This networking session offers English teachers and leaders the opportunity to connect with colleagues from across the trust, build new professional relationships, and engage in meaningful discussion about current priorities and challenges. With a loose, conversation-led format, the session will provide space for organic discussion, the sharing of effective practice, and the exploration of new ideas and areas for development.

 Keynote (1 slot) |  Available in slot: **C**

Facilitated by



Lydia Vowden
Exmouth Community College

EXAM OFFICERS/ADMIN STAFF

EXAM OFFICERS BEST PRACTISE

A productive session collaborating on best practice following JCQ & TEO training updates for 2026/27 including a comprehensive year update and key regulatory changes. An opportunity to share newly released training materials, discussed evolving compliance requirements, and explored practical approaches to strengthen processes across centres. The session can also include open discussion around team structures, capacity and support, ensuring we continue to work efficiently and uphold the highest standards in examination delivery.

 Workshop (2 slots) |  Available in slot: **DE**

Facilitated by



Katherine Jones
Exams Officer,
Cranbrook Education
Campus

ALL

EXPLORING BIODIVERSITY IN OUR SCHOOL ECOSYSTEMS

A hands on practical session taking colleagues beyond their school building and into nature. An opportunity to explore and connect yourself and others in nature. The session will build an understanding of our school ecosystems; what we have, what we can do to enrich it and how we can share our knowledge with others - colleagues and young people.

 Workshop (2 slots) |  Available in slot: **DE**

Facilitated by



Ella Boston
RHS (Royal Horticultural
Society)

ALL

EXPLORING MASCULINITIES

Our keynote explores the changing landscape of masculinity and the influences shaping young people's understanding of what it means to 'be a man' today. We examine prevalent views of masculinity, the socio-cultural factors shaping them, including digital influencer culture, and evidence-based strategies schools can use to challenge regressive models and promote healthier, more aspirational attitudes. The keynote also explores mental health, peer expectations and the positive potential of young men.

 Keynote (1 slot) |  Available in slot: **D**

Facilitated by



Paul Clark
Progressive
Masculinity

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EYES OF THE EXAMINER LANG PAPER 1

This session will provide an opportunity for staff to reflect upon, and learn about the AQA GCSE English Language papers. The session will be led by an examiner and focus on unpicking examiners' reports to better understand the mechanics of the papers. There will be opportunities for staff to feed this knowledge forward into lesson planning and raise attainment in key areas of focus.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **B**

Facilitated by



Ellie Boyce
English Teacher,
Honiton Community
College

ALL

FLORISTRY BOUQUET MAKING

Learn how to create a beautiful seasonal hand-tied bouquet, guided by a member of our staff using seasonal flowers. Whether you are a complete beginner or a passionate flower enthusiast looking to refine your technique, our tailored sessions guide you through the entire creative process. Learn expert tips on hydrating and prepping stems for maximum vase life and how to build a balanced, sturdy, and organic hand-tied bouquet. Discover how to use foliage, focal blooms, and airy textures and how to bind, wrap, and present your flowers with professional-looking finishing touches.

 Workshop (2 slots)

 Available in slot: **AB**

 **FULLY BOOKED**

Facilitated by



Bicton College

SECONDARY TEACHERS

CO-PROFESSIONALS

FROM DATA TO DECISIONS

Making MIS (Bromcom) Work for School Improvement explores how schools can use their MIS to support meaningful improvement rather than generate data overload. This session focuses on turning information into insight, aligning data with curriculum, assessment and inclusion, and knowing when systems help – and when professional judgement matters most. Practical examples and discussion help leaders make data work smarter, not harder.

 Workshop (2 slots)

 Available in slot: **AB**

Facilitated by



John Potter
Trust Leader for MIS,
Ted Wragg Trust

ALL

FROM REACTIVE TO STRATEGIC (PROTECTING HEADSPACE TO LEAD WELL)

In the busyness of school life, it is easy to lead reactively rather than intentionally. Three years into headship, I will share my journey of learning to protect time to think, prioritise what truly matters and ensure that my calendar reflects my values. Through practical reflection and honest insight, we will explore how to move from firefighting to forward planning and how remaining focused strengthens both impact and wellbeing.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **A**

Facilitated by



Gemma Wills
Headteacher, Exwick
Heights Primary School

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HANDLING COMPLAINTS AND CONFLICT WITH INTEGRITY

Leadership is tested most when decisions are challenged and emotions run high. This session explores how to remain fair, calm and principled under pressure. Drawing on leadership experience, we will consider how to separate fact from narrative, uphold high standards with compassion and protect our own resilience. How we respond in difficult moments defines both our credibility and our culture.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot: **E**

Facilitated by



Gemma Wills
Headteacher, Exwick Heights Primary School

SECONDARY TEACHERS

HOW COLLABORATION CAN HELP LANGUAGES SURVIVE.

How can schools guarantee a pathway for language study at a time when numbers drop, STEM dominates, financial pressures make small classes unviable, and the broader case for languages and humanities seems threatened by AI? In this session Michael will share learning from the Languages For All hubs which bring together schools and universities to promote MFL study from GCSE to degree.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot: **B**

Facilitated by



Michael Slavinsky
Managing Director, Languages For All

ALL

INTRODUCTION TO YOUR MORTGAGE BENEFIT

If you are a First Time Buyer wondering how to get on the property ladder or you have a mortgage and are wondering how to secure the best deal when you need to review it, or are moving home, or even if you have a buy to let portfolio/ have questions about writing a will then you should definitely attend.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot: **A**

Facilitated by



Scott Rawlings
Director, Radcliffe and Newlands Mortgages Ltd

ALL

JOURNEYING INTO SOUND

The Art of Tao Sound Journey: is a gently guided meditative immersive sound experience that uses the resonant tones of the Monolina, gongs, crystal singing bowls, and Koshi chimes to invite deep relaxation and inner stillness. Grounded in the principles of Taoist philosophy, you will be invited to lie down or recline comfortably, close your eyes, and allow the sounds to gently wash over you. As you journey through the experience, the emphasis is on deep listening, rest, and reconnecting with your natural sense of balance, peace, and wellbeing. This is an opportunity to quieten the mind, release tension and create space for reflection and renewal.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot: **A**

 **FULLY BOOKED**

Facilitated by



Sally Wilson
Founder, The Art of Tao

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LEADING NEURODIVERSE TALENT: PRACTICAL SUPPORT FOR MANAGERS OF ADHD & NEURODIVERGENT STAFF

As more adults are being diagnosed with ADHD and other forms of neurodivergence in their 30s and 40s, many line managers are finding themselves supporting team members who are discovering how their brains work for the first time—often without clear guidance or workplace support. This session is designed to give line managers the confidence, language and practical tools to support neurodivergent staff effectively. It moves beyond awareness into real-world management strategies, helping managers understand how ADHD and neurodivergence can show up at work, how to have supportive conversations, and how small adjustments can unlock performance, engagement and wellbeing. Managers will explore how to balance individual needs with team expectations, avoid common misunderstandings, and create an environment where neurodivergent staff can thrive—without lowering standards or over-medicalising performance.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:



Facilitated by



Chloe Fox

South West Teacher
Training Program
Director, SWTT

ALL

LEADING SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION

Being part of the Ted Wragg Trust, we are constantly inspired by brilliant practice — powerful ideas, innovative strategies and successful models from other contexts. But how do we move from stimulus to implementation in our own setting? In this session, I will explore what successful whole-school implementation really requires. Drawing on my experience leading curriculum, coaching, homework, behaviour and culture across multiple leadership roles, I will share how I have translated ideas seen in other schools into strategies that work within my own context. This session will focus on clarity, culture, communication and collective ownership — and the practical steps that turn good ideas into lasting change.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:



Facilitated by



Alex Evans

Headteacher,
Sidmouth College

ALL TEACHERS

CO-PROFESSIONALS

MANAGING COMPLAINTS: DE-ESCALATION, INVESTIGATION & RESOLUTION

This session explores how school leaders and staff can respond to concerns and complaints in a way that promotes positive relationships, reduces escalation and achieves timely resolution. Grounded in the Ted Wragg Trust approach, the session focuses on listening well, communicating effectively, conducting proportionate investigations and delivering fair outcomes.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:



Facilitated by



Jayne Powney
Trust Lead for
Complaints and
Compliance, Ted
Wragg Trust

ALL

MASTERING OUR NEW FINANCE SYSTEM

This workshop is an opportunity to get to grips with our new finance system six weeks after launch. Whether you're looking to complete key tasks more confidently, better understand budget holder reports, or simply explore the system's features, this session is for you. Bring your questions and learn directly from the experts in a supportive, hands-on environment. Open to all school staff.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:



Facilitated by



Christine Jillians

Ted Wragg Trust



Please bring your laptop to this session.

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ME, AI, AND MY KIDS

A lot has changed in our worlds since I spoke about 'The Anxious Generation' at All Heads and as part of the spectacular tEdFest. My kids, 12 and 14 years old, both have phones, their own ideas about the word, and a confused - often anxious - father! In what I find to be a sea of noise and regular overwhelm, I have found these two sources to help how we process our relationship with AI.

🕒 Keynote (1 slot) | 📅 Available in slot: **E**

Facilitated by



Tim Rutherford

Deputy CEO, Ted Wragg Trust

ALL

METACOGNITION AND ORACY

Metacognition and oracy are two of the most discussed areas for development in our schools. This session will explore exactly how these areas can be developed in conjuncture - a true 'two birds one stone' approach, equipping you with the knowledge and skills needed to develop both of these crucial skills effectively, in whatever phase or subject area that you teach!

🕒 Keynote (1 slot) | 📅 Available in slot: **D**

Facilitated by



Nathan Burns

Teach Educator, Mr Metacognition

ALL

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT & WELLBEING: EXPECTED TO STRONG

Join Simon White to learn what the new Ofsted School Report Cards look like in practice and how PSHE is reflected in these very different style of reports. The session will include data from inspections and also Simon's own reflections on the process as Chair of Governors of a school inspected in the second week of January this year, very early in the new process. Simon will also explore what tipped the balance between Expected and Good in Personal Development and Wellbeing judgments in recent Ofsted inspections.

🕒 Keynote (1 slot) | 📅 Available in slot: **A**

Facilitated by



Simon White

Consultant, Jigsaw Education Group

ALL

SEEDING AND PLANTING

Bring nature to your fingertips in this inspiring seeding and planting experience. Plant your own seeds, learn the secrets of successful growing, and take home the beginnings of something beautiful. This hands-on activity is a wonderful way to relax, learn new gardening skills, and celebrate the wonders of nature. Suitable for beginners and experienced gardeners alike, with all pots, compost, and materials included.

🕒 Workshop (2 slots) | 📅 Available in slot: **CD**

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SEND TALK AND SUPPORT

Join us for an informal, friendly discussion space for parents and carers of children with SEND. This session offers a chance to share experiences and connect with others who understand the journey. We'll also highlight useful resources and provide an easy-to-follow overview of the latest SEND updates in the UK. Whether you want to find out about support on offer, information, or simply to meet with other people who understand your experience, you're warmly welcome.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:

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This session is designed for parents and carers of SEND children.

Facilitated by



Mo Marchant

Head of
Governance, Ted
Wragg Trust

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SETTING THE EMOTIONAL CLIMATE AS LEADERS

One of my abiding beliefs is that the emotional conditions set by leadership are critical. Often we create these unknowingly, be they good or bad, and the efficacy, confidence, and focus of our teams can be radically affected. At West Exe, we are working to intentionally set the emotional climate to ensure staff are confident, supported, and able to focus on what matters for children. In this session, we will consider how our own emotional state as leaders affects our work and how our emotions amplify throughout our communities. We will consider what ideal emotional states are like and best bets on how to produce them. We will consider self-awareness and how it can be nurtured to help us understand our emotional impact on ourselves and others. We will look at common leadership practices that may be unknowingly damaging emotionally and how we can instead control the emotional climate to help the children we serve.



Workshop (2 slots)



Available in slot:

DE

Facilitated by



Jamie Engineer

Headteacher, West Exe
School

ALL TEACHERS

STRENGTHENING POST-16 PEDAGOGY

This session explores the distinctive nature of effective teaching for 16–18-year-old learners. Drawing on research, classroom practice, and coaching experience, we will examine how pedagogy can be adapted to promote greater independence, deeper thinking, and academic success. Participants will reflect on strategies that balance challenge and support, while considering how classroom practice can work together to enhance outcomes in the post-16 classroom.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:

E

Facilitated by



Chris Trengove

Associate Senior
Leader/ Head of History
& Politics, Sidmouth
College

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SUPPORTING ATTENTION, IMPULSIVITY, AND HYPERACTIVITY NEEDS

Children with ADHD and related needs often face a cycle of missed learning and frequent correction. This session explores how attention, impulsivity, and hyperactivity challenges affect pupil outcomes and relationships. Learn practical strategies to support individuals, groups, and whole classes, and discover how to break the cycle and foster inclusion. You'll leave with tools to create a more supportive learning environment where every child can thrive and feel understood.



Workshop (2 slots)



Available in slot:

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Facilitated by



Tom Andrew

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ALL TEACHERS

SUPPORTING STRUGGLING READERS ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

When reading is a barrier, pupils can be locked out of learning long before they have the chance to show what they know. Yet relatively small changes in classroom practice can make a significant difference. Rooted in the work of Jessie Ricketts, Tim Rasinski and FFT's Unlocking Reading, this research-informed workshop explores the challenges faced by struggling readers across the curriculum. Teachers and teaching assistants will leave with practical, classroom-ready strategies to improve pupils' understanding, confidence and success.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **E**

Facilitated by



Lindsay Skinner

Director of Education,
Ted Wragg Trust

SECONDARY TEACHERS

LEADERS/ASPIRING LEADERS

THE DARK ARTS OF HEADTEACHING

Being a headteacher is the best job in the world, what other role could have a greater influence on changing the life chances of young people? But it's not always the easiest job in the world and can sometimes feel like spinning plates in a wind tunnel. This session aims to debunk some of the myths and give practical examples of how a role that looks overwhelming on paper can be broken down into bite sized chunks and become, not just doable, but hugely rewarding and enjoyable.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **B**

Facilitated by



Martin Brook

Former
Headteacher/Trust
Director, Ted Wragg
Trust

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THE FUTURE OF CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT STARTS HERE

This interactive teacher training session will explore how Class Charts can be used to improve behaviour management, student engagement, parental communication, and classroom efficiency. Delivered by Tes Product and Marketing specialists, the session will combine practical demonstrations, real-world best practice, and expert guidance to help teachers maximise the platform's impact. Attendees will also gain exclusive insight into the future Class Charts roadmap, including upcoming innovations and developments designed to further support teachers, schools, and wider school improvement strategies.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **A**

Facilitated by



Derek Van Wyk &
Jo Eames

Senior Product
Manager & Head of
Customer Nurture, TES

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THE NEW DAWN OF TRUSTS

Session will focus on the future of trusts. As trusts are evolving, we are seeing greater integration of SEND Hubs and place-based work development, alongside KS3 work. Join Moira as she looks ahead to what is on the horizon and the exciting journey ahead not only helping the children in our schools, but children across the region.

 Keynote (1 slot)

 Available in slot: **B**

Facilitated by



Moira Marder

CEO, Ted Wragg Trust

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THE QUIET CLASSROOM – SILENT DISCO!

Take a break from the buzz of the day and step into a space designed to lift your mood, energise your body, and connect with others—without saying a word. The tEdFest Silent Disco offers a joyful, judgement-free zone where you can choose your own playlist, dance at your own pace, or just soak up the good vibes.

Beyond the fun, this session is grounded in science: movement boosts dopamine, dancing reduces stress, and shared joyful experiences build connection. Whether you're looking to recharge, let go, or simply have a laugh with colleagues, this is the perfect pitstop for wellbeing.

No rhythm required—just bring your curiosity, and your best invisible microphone.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:

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Headphones will be provided for this session.

Facilitated by



SilentDiscos4U

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THE TRAITORS GAME

Inspired by the hit TV series, this interactive escape room-style session challenges teams to solve puzzles, crack codes and uncover clues while identifying a hidden traitor. Designed to demonstrate the power of game-based learning, the activity develops teamwork, communication, problem-solving and critical thinking in a fun, high-energy environment. Discover how immersive experiences can increase engagement and create memorable learning opportunities for young people.



Workshop (2 slots)



Available in slot:

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This session will be held in a dark room.



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Facilitated by



Dan Leverton
Company Director,
The Big Step

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TRAITORS-STYLE MURDER MYSTERY

Blood On The Clocktower is a social deduction game, like the Traitors. Players are randomly divided into two teams, a public "good" team and a secret "evil" team. "Good" individuals must then work together in order to solve a complex social puzzle and root out the Evil team, bearing in mind players don't know who they can trust; the evil team WILL lie to you to survive. There will be: bluffing, fast thinking, betrayal, problem solving, tension and laughter.



Workshop (2 slots)



Available in slot:

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Facilitated by



Rachael Prior &
Sam Prior
Teacher of Latin &
Classics/ Wellbeing Mentor
for Sixth Form, Exmouth
Community College

CO-PROFESSIONALS

UNDERSTANDING YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION

How your Local Government Pension works, how you can increase the benefits you are likely to receive, and other benefits that are part of your Local Government Pension.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot:

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Please note: This session is for co-professional pensions. Teacher's Pension Scheme are unavailable to join us for tEdFest 2026. TPS webinars can be accessed [HERE](#).

Facilitated by



Mark Griffin
Employer
Communications and
Training Officer, Peninsula
Pensions, Devon County
Council

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WIREWORK CRAFT MAKING

Join our creative craft wirework tutor for this session and make your own unique piece from decorative wire. Wirework craft transforms simple, bendable wire into stunning, three-dimensional sculptures, jewellery, and functional home decor. It is a highly accessible and inexpensive hobby that blends delicate aesthetics with practical design, allowing creators to weave, twist, and wrap their way to beautiful masterpieces.



Workshop (2 slots)



Available in slot: **AB**



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YOU DO YOU (JUST BETTER)

A session dedicated to understanding how to prioritise wellbeing, build resilience, and grow both personally and professionally through small, achievable tweaks and changes.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot: **C D**

Facilitated by



Christopher Tribble
Honiton Primary School
Headteacher and
President of NAHT

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YOUR BRAIN, YOUR SUPERPOWER: NAVIGATING ADHD & NEURODIVERGENCE AT WORK

Many people are now being diagnosed with ADHD or identifying as neurodivergent later in life—often after years of feeling “different,” overwhelmed, or unsure why work feels harder than it should. Yet diagnosis rarely comes with practical guidance on how to manage this in a workplace that wasn’t designed with neurodivergent brains in mind.

This session is a supportive, empowering space for staff who experience ADHD or neurodivergence (diagnosed or self-identified). It focuses on reframing difference as a strength, building self-understanding, and developing practical “shortcuts” that make work more manageable—without burnout or masking. The session also addresses the emotional impact of late diagnosis and helps attendees move from self-criticism to self-advocacy.



Keynote (1 slot)



Available in slot: **B**



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Facilitated by



Chloe Fox

South West Teacher
Training Program
Director, SWTT

LUNCH & CONNECT

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Sit, eat and recharge.

Book a lunch slot in C, D, or E when building your day.

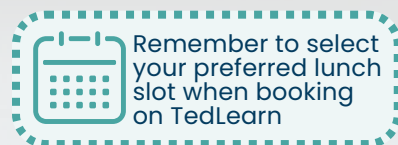


Prefer to maximise your learning?

Grab and go lunches will be available during transition times.

Lunch Slots

C D E



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Drop in during lunch and meet colleagues and partners.



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Your hard work and dedication help make tEdFest an enjoyable and successful day for all.

We appreciate you! 



If you have any questions, please contact:

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WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.



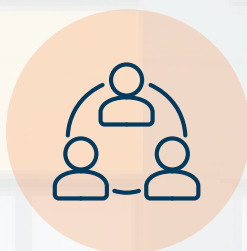
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Sharing expertise that helps others strengthen their practice.



INSPIRE IDEAS

Sparkling curiosity, reflection and fresh thinking.



BUILD CONNECTIONS

Bringing people together across schools and organisations.



DRIVE IMPACT

Turning learning into meaningful action within our communities.



ENABLE OTHERS

Supporting growth, confidence and development.



Did a session spark an idea?

We're looking for speakers to shape tEdFest 2027.

Whether you've presented before or this would be your first time, we'd love to hear from you.

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