

THE LEICESTERSHIRE Virtual School CONFERENCE 2018

28th NOVEMBER 2018
8:15am - 2:30pm

**NSPCC National Training Centre,
3 Gilmour Close, Leicester, LE4 1EZ**

Car parking is
available on site

There is no charge
for this conference.
Lunch and
refreshments will
be provided.

ATTACHMENT AWARENESS WORKS - SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE IN SCHOOLS

About the conference

We will consider how senior leaders can develop whole-school policies and approaches that work for all, including looked-after, previously looked-after and other vulnerable children. This conference will highlight effective attachment and trauma aware practice, demonstrating how all pupils can be supported and enabled to make progress.

Target audience

This free conference is aimed at head teachers and other primary and secondary school senior leaders, governors and designated teachers for looked after children.

The day will include:

Keynote speech by Stuart Guest, Headteacher at Colebourne Primary in Birmingham: Improving outcomes for pupils, families and schools through trauma and attachment informed policies and practice

Judy Sebba, The REES Centre, University of Oxford: Research findings from attachment work undertaken by schools in Leicestershire and across the country

Presentation from a local secondary school:

Implementing successful attachment aware strategies and their impact on pupils

Speech and Language Therapy team, Leicestershire Partnership, NHS Trust:

The impact of abuse, neglect and subsequent trauma on the development of children's communication skills

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Stuart Guest

Headteacher,
Colebourne Primary
School, Birmingham

Judy Sebba

The REES Centre
(Research in Fostering
and Education)

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Keynote Speaker - Stuart Guest

Stuart is an experienced head teacher of eleven+ years and father to three children: one birth child and two through adoption.

He has developed trauma friendly approaches at his school and has seen the positive impact this can have on pupils, families, staff and outcomes for his school.

Stuart trains schools and gives talks and interviews about education in relation to children who are adopted, have attachment difficulties or experienced trauma or adverse childhood experiences. He also delivers college and university lectures. His aim through these talks and training is to raise the awareness of schools to trauma issues and how this affects children's behaviour and how schools can adapt their policies and procedures to become attachment aware.

He also aims to help and support parents navigate the complicated and ever changing educational landscape.

Stuart has had a number of articles published in the Adoption Today magazine and has appeared on the BBC One Show in January 2018 and the Victoria Derbyshire Show in June 2018 talking about support for adopted children in schools.



twitter.com/stuart_guest

Comments following training or visits to Colebourne:

Just wanted to say thanks for providing the most thought-provoking, informative, useful and inspiring training I have ever had. I am determined to take some aspects straight into my classroom practice.

Dan Beier (Teacher – Princethorpe Junior School, Birmingham)

I would recommend others to see for themselves what building positive relations really looks like in a real world setting. The pupils were genuinely happy.

Jamie Russell (Assistant Principal - Cromwell Community College) after visiting Colebourne Primary School.

The staff are still buzzing about the training they had this morning. The training was engaging, powerful, relevant and resonated with everyone. In fact we had to extend the time as staff wanted to hear more. Stuart's delivery was excellent. The approaches Stuart shares are all underpinned by research and supplemented by amusing personal anecdotes".

Mangal Singh (Executive Headteacher, Wilkes Green Infant School and Wilkes Green Junior School)