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Welcome to the **2023 NDNA Conference** Shaping the Future of Childcare: **Making the First Five Years Count**

Thank you for joining us in Coventry for our Conference. With change on the horizon and the importance of keeping children at the heart of what the sector does, today is about Shaping the Future of Childcare: Making the First Five Years Count.

We continue celebrating all the amazing work you do to make the first five years of every child's life count. As funded childcare expands across the UK, our shared goal is shaping the future of early education and childcare for the benefit of children, families and providers everywhere.

For leaders, we welcome Children, Families and Well-being Minister Claire Coutinho MP; an update from Ofsted; Annabel Karmel MBE on children's food and nutrition; Dr Samantha McMahon on enabling environments.

For practitioners, we are proud to host Pete Moorhouse introducing woodwork safely in early years settings; Rob Dembrey, discussing support for children with SEN; Dr. Amanda Gummer, of Good Play Guide, on how design impacts behaviour and NDNA's Jane Malcolm exploring the Framework for Love-led Practice.

All delegates can enjoy our fantastic keynote speakers: endearing storyteller Gervase Phinn, fostering a love of books, also inspirational speaker Richard McCann sharing his

strategies that helped him during challenging times.

We are thrilled to share a day of insightful speakers, networking opportunities, early years exhibitors and best practice. We hope you enjoy the conference!

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Purnima Tanuku OBE, NDNA Chief Executive

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Leadership Stream in the Premier Lounge

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| 10.45am | NDNA update Purnima Tanuku OBE, NDNA CEO will share the latest sector updates. |
| 11.00am | Transformative reforms to early education and childcare Claire Coutinho MP, Minister for Children, Families & Wellbeing explains more about the plans to expand the early education entitlements announced in the Spring Budget, and how the Government plans to support the sector as we move towards delivering these transformative reforms. |
| 11.30am | Exhibition and refreshments |
| 12.15pm | Leading to create an enabling environment Dr Samantha McMahon considers how leaders in ECEC can understand the individuals and teams in the organisation and the organisational culture, in order to create an enabling environment. |
| 1.00pm | Exhibition and lunch |
| 2.00pm | Best start in life Alex Magloire and Wendy Ratcliff will give an update from Ofsted with specific focus on their strategic priority. |
| 2.35pm | An audience with Annabel Karmel Annabel Karmel MBE shares her expertise and experience on leading the way in food and nutrition and giving children the very best start. |
| 3.20pm | Exhibition and refreshments |
| 4.05pm | *Harnessing a love of literacy in our youngest children Dr Gervase Phinn talks about how stories and poems are fundamental to human experience, and if experienced in early childhood can extend children's thinking, foster new knowledge, and validate their emotions. |
| 4.50pm | Close |
| 7.00pm | NDNA Nursery Awards drinks reception |



Conference Chair

We are thrilled to welcome **Liz Roberts** as our Leadership Stream Chair. Liz is a consultant, editor and writer, who was editor-in-chief of Nursery World until the end of 2022, leading its editorial operations for many years. She has frequently chaired early years events, as well as commenting on the early years sector for national TV, radio and newspapers. Coming to our Awards evening? Get your gladrags on and join us from 7pm!

Your speakers - Leadership Stream



Richard McCann is the Founder of The iCan Academy and a Times No.1 best-selling author, around the world. His life experiences helped to build his strength and resilience.



Purnima Tanuku OBE,

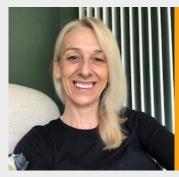
supported by the Board of Trustees, leads the strategic direction of NDNA as Chief Executive. She represents the sector to Government Ministers, parliamentarians, civil servants and local authorities.



Alex Magloire HMI has held various central and delivery roles within Ofsted since 2001. She is currently the Deputy Director for Early Years Regulatory Policy and Practice at Ofsted. Alex has also worked for two London local authorities and the DfE.



Wendy Ratcliff HMI is the Principal Officer for Early Education Policy in Ofsted's education policy team. She focuses on the inspection of early education curriculum, and any changes for the future. As a qualified early years practitioner she has extensive experience.



Dr Samantha McMahon is a Senior Lecturer and Director of Student Retention at the University of Huddersfield. She has been teaching for more than 25 years, firstly as a primary and early years teacher and now in higher education.



Claire Couthino MP

has been the Member of Parliament for East Surrey since the 2019 general election. She has been serving as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Children, Families and Wellbeing since October



Annabel Karmel MBE reigns as the UK's No.1 children's cookery author, bestselling international author, and a world-leading expert on devising delicious, nutritious meals for babies, children and families. She recieved an MBE for her outstanding work in child nutrition.



Dr Gervase Phinn is a author, poet, broadcaster, lecturer, educational guru and after-dinner speaker. He is perhaps best known for his reminiscences about the life of a school inspector in the Yorkshire Dales. Gervase is patron of five children's charities.

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Practice Stream in the Ricoh Lounge

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| 10.40am | Practice Stream make your way to Ricoh Lounge, Level 1 |
| 10.45am | Do you tell children in your nursery that you love them? The Framework for Love-Led Practice Jane Malcolm will explore her framework for love-led practice touching upon; what we mean by love, why children need to feel loved in the nursery, the barriers and challenges of loving children in the nursery and more. |
| 11.30am | Exhibition and refreshments |
| 12.15pm | Introduction to woodwork Pete Moorhouse's practical workshop will look at how woodwork meets many learning and development aspects and the most suitable tools for young children and instruction on how best to use them. |
| 1.00pm | Exhibition and lunch |
| 2.00pm | Building designs and layouts Dr Amanda Gummer and Annabel Lait will discuss principles of design and their impact on behaviour and development for early years settings. |
| 2.50pm | Practical advice and systemic approaches for supporting children with SEND Rob Dembrey will focus on how early years practitioners can best support children with SEN in a challenging context of complexity of needs and existing pressures on staff and settings. |
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Sara Bonetti is a researcher and consultant who has spent the past 15 years advocating on behalf of children and families within government, non-profit and research institutions. Her specialties encompass workforce professionalism, systems integration, policy and advocacy for early childhood education, data analysis and evidence-informed decision-making.



Your speakers - Practice Stream



Richard McCann is the Founder of The iCan Academy and Times No1 best-selling author, inspiring audiences around the world. His life expereinces helped to build his strength and resilience.



Jane Malcolm is the National Manager for NDNA Scotland and recently completed her MPhil at Edinburgh University. Over 20 years in early years sparked an interest in studying the role of love in childcare.



Pete Moorhouse is an award-winning Early Years Creative Consultant with over 25 years experience. He is passionate about encouraging creative thinking in early years education. Pete is the leading authority on woodwork in early years.



Dr Amanda Gummer is the Founder and CEO of Good Play Guide. She has over 20 years promoting the value of play and positive parenting in child development and is widely considered as the UK's go to expert on play, toys and child development.



Annabel Lait is the Director of Saunders Architecture and Urban Design. She is a highly experienced Chartered Architect with specialist education sector knowledge. Annabel understands the importance of well-designed settings for learning and development.



Rob Dembrey has worked in the early years sector since 1997. For the last 10 years he has worked in Richmond and Kingston as an Early Years SEN consultant, supporting close to 1000 providers, focusing on children with complex SEN.



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Thank you for joining us at the 2023 NDNA Conference

We hope you have a fantastic day engaging with our speakers, visiting our exhibition and learning from your early years peers.

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