

# ACE Annual Conference 2020 Character Education; A Part of the Solution

27<sup>th</sup> November 2020 King Langley School, Love Lane, Kings Langley WD4 9HN

"Enabling children and young people to flourish through the development of character."

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**



#### **David Benson**

The founding Principal of Kensington Aldridge Academy (KAA). He led the school from it's opening with just one year group in 2014, to an "outstanding" Ofsted rating in 2017 and put the school in the top 3% nationally in terms of the progress students make. David led KAA through the challenging circumstances following the Grenfell Tower fire in June 2017 and was awarded by The Times Educational Supplement for his Service to Education. David was acknowledged by the Evening Standard's as being one of the key "Change Makers" in London and is a published writer on education policy.



#### **Damian Hinds**

Former Education Secretary, set out the 'five foundations' for character education and advocated that character and resilience are equally as important as academic attainment. Damian has served on the Education Select Committee, and chaired the All Party Parliamentary Groups for Social Mobility and for Credit Unions. In 2015 he was appointed Exchequer Secretary to the Treasury, a role which he held until being appointed Minister for Employment in June 2016.



### **Sophie Murfin**

National Teaching Awards finalist, Executive Principle of the Wise Owl Trust. Sophie has led all three primary academies in the Trust successfully through the 'Schools of Character Kitemark Plus' award.

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The ACE Conference will also include workshops led by Leaders in Character Education

# **CONFERENCE TIMINGS**

ACTIVITY	TIME
Refreshments and Registration	10:00
Welcome and Introductions	10:30
Keynote Speaker David Benson-Principle Aldridge Academy	10:45
Keynote Speaker MP and Former Education Secretary Damian Hinds	11:15
Workshop 1	11:45
Lunch	12:30
Keynote Speaker Sophie Murfin- Executive Principle Wise Owl Trust	1:15
Workshop 2	1:45
Break	2:00
2020 Character Kitemarks	2:20
Closing Remarks	3:00
Refreshments and Networking	3:15
Finish	4:00