

# nasen LIVE 2026 Agenda

08:30 - 9:30	Registration		
09:30 - 10:00	<b>Welcome and Opening Address - Main Room</b> Annamarie Hassall MBE - nasen Chief Executive, Phillipa Sherlock Lewis - Chair of Trustees, & Dan Windsor - Head of Partnerships, BeReady		
	<b>Main Room</b>	<b>Seminar Room 1</b>	<b>Seminar Room 2</b>
10:10 - 10:50	<b>Navigating the SEND Landscape</b> Erica Wolstenholme 	<b>Inclusion Support Bases with Purpose</b> Faye Whittle	<b>An Introduction to Specific Learning Difficulties in Maths and Dyscalculia</b> Rob Jennings & Cat Eadle
10:50 - 11:20	REFRESHMENT BREAK		
11:20 - 12:00	<b>Panel: SEND Reform - opportunities and challenges</b> Adam Boddison OBE, Amanda Bernard, Annamarie Hassall MBE, Dominic Broad, Errol Comrie, Lorraine Petersen OBE, & Trystan Williams 	<b>Shared Expertise, Stronger Schools: A Specialist-Mainstream Collaborative Model</b> Matt McArthur 	<b>Beyond Readiness: High Expectations and Literacy for Every Learner</b> Chantal Bryan OBE & Sarah Giles
12:10 - 12:50	<b>The Inclusion Illusion: Why presence alone is not inclusion</b> Clive Lawrence OBE	<b>Panel: The SEN Practitioner: Status, Skills and Support</b> Barry Carpenter CBE, Hilary MacMeekin, Jon Gibson, Julia Clouter, Dr Julie Wharton, Dr Lynda Kay & Dr Tristan Middleton 	<b>Race, SEND and Intersectionality</b> Jason Selormey 
12:50 - 13:40	LUNCH (PROVIDED)		
13:40 - 14:20	<b>What is the Best SEN Strategy? It Might Not Be What You Think!</b> Rowena Hicks	<b>Accessibility Planning That Drives Inclusion, Not Just Compliance</b> Aaron King	<b>Times of Change? Including All in the Joy of Reading!</b> Carol Allen
14:30 - 15:10	<b>From Missed Needs to Meaningful Support: Strengthening SEND Provision Through Early Intervention and Inclusive Practice</b> Errol Comrie	<b>Panel: The National Year of Reading - What Makes a Reader?</b> Simon Kitchen, Andrew Ettinger, Carol Allen, Mary Long, Rebecca Gonyora, Samantha McFarlane, & Dr Sarah Mosley 	<b>From the Ground Up: How Teacher Enquiry Can Transform Inclusive Practice</b> Patrick Carmichael & Amanda Wright 
15:10 - 15:35	REFRESHMENT BREAK		
15:35 - 16:15	<b>From Barriers to Breakthroughs: Turning Tricky Parent Meetings into Powerful Partnerships</b> Emma Shackleton	<b>From Transition to Transformation: Preparing for Secondary and What Really Helps Young People Thrive</b> Dawn Cranshaw 	<b>Assistive Technology in Primary Schools: From Classroom Tools to Strategic Impact</b> Stacey Jukes
16:20 - 16:30	<b>Closing Remarks - Main Room</b> Annamarie Hassall MBE 		