

# THE 2024 NATIONAL PRIMARY ENGLISH CONFERENCE: My Voice, My Writing:

Empowering Children to be Great Writers

Wednesday 31st January 2024,  
9:00am - 4:00pm, online



## Programme

9:00 – 9:05am	<b>Conference Welcome and Introductions</b>		
9:05 – 10:05am	<b>DEVELOPING CHILDREN'S WRITING FOR PURPOSE AND PLEASURE</b> <b>Professor Michael Rosen</b> , multi-award-winning author, performance poet, broadcaster, columnist, academic, former Children's Laureate, current Professor of Children's Literature at Goldsmiths, University of London and 2023 PEN Pinter Prize winner.		
10:05 – 10:20am	BREAK		
10:20 – 11:15am	<b>GRAMMAR AS CHOICE</b> <b>Professor Debra Myhill</b> , Professor Emerita of Language and Literacy Education at University of Exeter		
11:15 – 11:20am	BREAK		
11:20am – 12:00pm	<b>Workshop options</b>		
	<b>Workshop 1:</b> <b>Implementing Authentic Writing Projects in the Classroom</b> <b>Nicola Izibili</b> , English Consultant and Practising Teacher, Founder of the Writing Web	<b>Workshop 2:</b> <b>The Reading and Writing Connection</b> <b>Sam Creighton</b> , Literacy Lead, Elmhurst Primary School, London	<b>Workshop 3:</b> <b>Supporting Struggling Writers</b> <b>Kirsten Snook</b> , Teaching and Learning Adviser - English, HFL Education
12:00 – 1:00pm	LUNCH		
1:00 – 1:40pm	<b>Workshop options</b>		
	<b>Workshop 4:</b> <b>Crafting a Writing Curriculum</b> <b>Sonia Thompson</b> , Headteacher/ Director at St Matthew's C.E. Primary Research and Support Schools, Nechells Birmingham	<b>Workshop 5:</b> <b>Don't Forget Your Full Stops!</b> <b>Amanda Webb</b> , Teaching and Learning Adviser - English, HFL Education	<b>Workshop 6:</b> <b>Writing Realities</b> <b>Navan Govender</b> , Lecturer in Applied Language and Literacy Studies at University of Strathclyde
1:40 – 1:45pm	BREAK		
1:45 – 2:40pm	<b>WHY ORACY MATTERS</b> <b>Professor Neil Mercer</b> , Emeritus Professor of Education and Director of Oracy Cambridge		
2:40 – 2:50pm	BREAK		
2:50 – 3:50pm	<b>STORY MUDLARKING</b> <b>Katya Balen</b> , award-winning children's author		
3:50 – 4:00pm	<b>Conference Close</b>		

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