

Lewisham Virtual School Annual Conference - 2nd July 2026

09:00 to 15:30 followed by music and refreshments - FREE event

Location: Goldsmiths University of London, New Cross, London SE14 6NW

Theatre: Whitehead Building, Ian Gulland Theatre

Implementing a Relationally Safe School Approach

09:00 – 09:30 Conference Opens - Refreshments

09:30 – 09:35 Welcome – Patrick Ward, Virtual School Headteacher

09:35 – 09:45 Lead Member for Children, SEND, Youth Empowerments and Culture - Cllr Skyer

09:45 – 10:00 – Jade Barnett

10:00 – 11:15 – Paul Dix - Implementing and sustaining relational support around the child

11:15 - 11:45 - Break

11:45 – 12.20 - Relationally Safe Schools Programme – Amanda Davidson, Elise Anderson

12:20 – 12:50 – ARC Awards – Dee Dee Roberts

12:50 – 13:00 HOP update – Peri Mehmet

13:00 – 14:00 – Lunch

14:00 – 14:10 - Performance Harmony Barrack

14:10 – 15:10 – Taiwo Afuape – Anti Racist Practice in Schools & Lucy Robertson-Richie - Institute of Family Therapy

15:10 – 15:30 Jade Barnett
Conference Close

15:30 - 17:30 Music & Refreshments (foyer and lawn area)