



Creating Positive Futures for Boys and Young Men

A solution-focused boys' education and well-being conference 19.11.2018,
Mary Sumner House, 24 Tufton Street Westminster, London SW1P 3RB

[Please note: final speakers and schedule may be subject to change]

9 -- 9:30 -- Welcome / Housekeeping

9:30 -- 9:45 -- Dan Bell, Chair, Men and Boys Coalition, why this is a vital conversation

9:45 -- 10:30 -- **Keynote speaker: Robert Halfon MP, Chair, Education Select Committee**

10:30 -- 11:00 -- Mary Curnock Cook OBE [Scene-setting on boys' academic attainment / policy / key facts]

11:00 -- 11:30 -- Tea / comfort break

11:30 -- 12:00 -- Ulster University, Taking Boys Seriously research project [Best practice: How do we boost boys' achievement?]

12:00 -- 12:30 -- Dr Mahamed Hashi, award-winning youth worker, co-founder, Brixton Soup Kitchen [What keeps boys and young men engaged? Points of attrition, life outcomes and inter-sectional factors]

12:30 -- 13:00 -- Prof Gijsbert Stoet [International perspectives on improving boys' success at school]

13:00 -- 13:45 -- Lunch break

13:45 -- 14:30 -- Lads Need Dads [Male role models and the power of mentoring -- with contributions from young men who have been on the Lads Need Dads programme]

14:30 -- 15:00 -- Spectra CIC and Metro charity [Homophobic bullying/school safety]

15:00 -- 15:30 -- Phosphoros Theatre: How do stereotypes about race and masculinity impact on the experiences of young male refugees?

15:30 -- 15:45 -- Tea / comfort break

15:45 -- 16:15 -- David Wright, early years teacher, leading advocate for more men in early years teaching and an adviser to the Government on gender diversity in the workforce [Ensuring schools are male friendly]

16:15 -- 16:45 -- Colour Blind Awareness [The importance of identifying and supporting school children with colour vision deficiencies -- 1/12 boys and 1/200 girls]

16:45 -- 17:15 -- Afternoon keynote speaker: Natasha Devon MBE [How schools can support boys' mental health / When boys speak, are we able to listen? / the movement for change]

17:15 -- 17:30 -- Closing remarks / Exit