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National Association for
Able Children in Education



CYMRU CONFERENCE

**The MAT mission:
raising standards,
changing lives**

28 June 2018, Cardiff

The St David's Hotel, Havannah St, CF10 5SD

Who should attend:

Senior and middle leaders

MAT leads/coordinators

Teachers

Governors

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Join educators
from across Wales
to share the latest
MAT research,
policy and good
practice

Contributions
from Estyn,
regional consortia,
Challenge Award
schools, charities
and industry
experts

Keynote speaker
Nicola Morgan,
award-winning
author and
international
expert on teenage
brains





Call for contributions... what's new and what's next?

NACE is seeking school case studies to feature at the Cymru Conference.

We want to know about new initiatives, ideas and projects that are having an impact on MAT learners across Wales.

Featured case studies will win six months free NACE membership for the school.

To submit a case study, email membership@nace.co.uk with the subject line "Cymru Conference case study" by 30 April 2018.

Include a brief outline of your initiative, its impact on MAT learners, and what other NACE members could learn from this example. Photographs and video are encouraged, but please ensure you have permission for these to be used.



"A fast-paced day, full of real school journeys and lots of helpful advice and tools. Gave me confidence that our school is working in the right direction, but inspired me to take it so much further."

"A real boost in terms of motivating change within school and an appreciation of the ways whole-school strategy can be embedded."

"Very inspirational! Went away with lots of ideas for immediate use."



- attendees of the last NACE Cymru Conference

The MAT mission: raising standards, changing lives

The NACE Cymru Conference returns in June 2018, bringing together school leaders, MAT coordinators, policy makers and advisers to discuss the latest reforms, research and evidence-based approaches to provision for more able and talented (MAT) learners.

The conference will offer insights, case studies and practical strategies to help schools improve provision for MAT learners in the context of whole-school improvement, through three core strands:

- Strategy and leadership;
- Curriculum, classroom and student outcomes;
- School self-review and impact.

Keynote: Nicola Morgan



Nicola Morgan is a multi-award-winning author and international expert on teenage brains and mental health. Her expertise includes the impact of stress on wellbeing and performance, the effects of screens and social media, and the science of reading for pleasure. A former teacher and dyslexia specialist, Nicola was a prize-winning novelist whose career changed after the success of her bestselling examination of the teenage brain, *Blame My Brain*, shortlisted for the Aventis Prize, and *The Teenage Guide to Stress*, winner of the School Library Association award in both the readers' and judges' categories. *The Teenage Guide to Friends*, her popular teaching resources, and the forthcoming *Positively Teenage* and *The Teenage Guide to Life Online*, have established Nicola as the go-to expert in her field.

Today's teenagers: upheaval, stress, storm – and success

In this uplifting start to the conference, keynote speaker Nicola Morgan will draw on her wide knowledge of adolescence, science of the learning brain and the effects of digital living. Her session will explore brain bandwidth, learning under stress, and strategies to promote wellbeing in ambitious and high-achieving, but often mentally vulnerable, young people.

Programme

8:30 am	Registration and exhibition opens			
9:00 am	Welcome Sue Riley, NACE CEO			
9:10 am	“Today’s teenagers: upheaval, stress, storm – and success” Keynote speaker Nicola Morgan, award-winning author and international expert on teenage brains and mental health			
10:15 am	Workshops: Strategy and leadership			
	Effective use of data to inform classroom practice for MAT learners	Narrowing the gap for MAT through the Pupil Development Grant	Integrating MAT within leadership strategy	Transitions for the MAT learner
11:15 am	Refreshments and exhibition			
11:45 am	Policy update Liz Barry, HMI, Estyn			
12:15 pm	Workshops: Curriculum, classroom and student outcomes			
	Talk for learning: case study from a regional MAT project	Extending MAT learning through academic enrichment	Creating challenge in the everyday classroom	Developing a learning mindset
1:15 pm	Lunch and exhibition			
2:00 pm	Regional approaches to MAT South East Wales’ strategy to enhance performance and provision for MAT learners – Debbie Harteveld, Managing Director, Education Achievement Service for South East Wales			
2:30 pm	Workshops: School self-review and impact			
	MAT teacher development: creating programmes with impact	Effective use of data to inform classroom practice for MAT learners	Assessment and feedback: MAT project case study	Best practice in MAT: NACE research findings
3:30 pm	Celebrations: mission accomplished			
	Challenge Award presentations		Top 10 trends: what’s new and what’s next?	
4:15 pm	Conference close, refreshments and networking			

Programme subject to change.

Which workshop is right for me?

Black - Primary/Secondary Orange - Primary Blue - Secondary

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NACE members £299 + VAT
Non-members £399 + VAT

How to book:
www.nace.co.uk/events

When booking, delegates will be asked to submit workshop preferences. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Book early to avoid disappointment.

How to join NACE:
Visit www.nace.co.uk/join-nace

NACE is the UK's leading charity dedicated to supporting schools and teachers across every aspect of provision for more able learners. Drawing on over 30 years' experience in the field, NACE is at the forefront of thought leadership and evidence-based policy for the more able, with NACE member schools leading the way in implementing best practice.

When you join NACE, you join a community of schools across Wales, England and beyond, with opportunities to network and collaborate both online and in person. Our members benefit from free meetups and webinars; an online library of resources; discounts on staff training, seminars and CPD; and opportunities to join invitation-only events and consultations.

NACE members also have exclusive access to the NACE Challenge Development Programme, an established school-evaluation and improvement toolkit, which can lead to formal accreditation through the NACE Challenge Award.

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