



2025 NASDAP Conference Programme v26 June 2025

TUESDAY 29 JULY	
3.00 - 5.00pm	PLD for New Deputy & Assistant Principals (Level 1, Tākina Wellington Convention & Exhibition Centre)
5.30 - 7.30pm	Meet & Greet (Shed22, 4 Taranaki Street) <i>This is an informal meet up giving you a chance to catch up with friends and colleagues. Casual, no formal programme. Order kai and beverages direct as it suits you. Name badge pick-up available.</i>

WEDNESDAY 30 JULY							
9.00am	Registration & Exhibition opens (Level 1, Tākina Wellington Convention & Exhibition Centre)						
9.45 - 10.40am	Mihi Whakatau Kura Moeahu (Te Rūnanganui o Te Āti Awa) Welcome from MC Mirama Kamo & NASDAP 2025 Event Partner introduction - Active Vision						
10.40 - 11.40am	Keynote: Dr Linda Bendikson <i>Waves against rocks in the sea - leadership resiliency in times of complexity and change</i>						
11.40 - 12.40pm	Lunch in the Exhibition Area						
12.40 - 1.40pm Workshops Session 1	Pedagogical Quick Wins Linda Bendikson (LB Schooling Improvement Ltd)	Implementing effective financial education in a changing landscape Yasmin Frazer & Erin Thompson (Sorted in Schools - Retirement Commission)	AI in Schools: The Good, The Bad, and the ugly Danielle Vandendungen (Ministry of Education)	Meaningful Mentoring: Guidelines for practice Adele Scott, Hayley Corney & Joseph Durkin-Gorman (PPTA Te Wehengarua)	Navigating Belonging, Growth, and Connection in a Disconnected World Lawrence Naicker & Chris Sullivan (Sancta Maria College)	Poutama Reo - A Māori language movement for your school Brianne Te Paa, Kaia Morehu & Students (Kaipara College)	Strengths-based Leadership in Action Rob Clarke (Learning Architects)

1.40 - 1.50pm	Transition						
1.50 - 2.50pm Workshops Session 2	Stepping up: Navigating Leadership as a new Deputy Principal Gus Shirley & Rowan Taigel (Waimea College & Nayland College)	Future-Ready Classrooms: Embracing Tomorrow's Technology Today! Natalie Tubman, Chris Lee & David Wharton (Activevision)	Vocational Education programmes as part of the curriculum Craig Dyason (Albany Senior High School)	AI-Powered Leadership: Reclaim Your Time Bex Rose (Ai Surge)	Woke Stuff like Wellbeing & Belonging Jane Townsend (Putāruru College)	Activating Niho Taniwha to improve teaching and learning for ākonga Māori at Pukekohe High School Renée Neville & Suzanne Powar (Evaluation Associates)	Teacher Learning Communities - A Journey Through Improvement Stephanie Harford (Rotoruna Senior High School)
2.50 - 3.20pm	Afternoon kai in the Exhibition Area						
3.20 - 4.00pm	Panel Discussion - Mentoring and Coaching: Building capability in ourselves and others Chair: Kate Thornton (Victoria University of Wellington) Panellists: Chris Matthews (Papakura High School); Rachel Peak (Rosmini College) & Pip Woodward (Ōtūmoetai College) <i>Supported by Victoria University of Wellington</i>						
4.00 - 5.00pm	Keynote: Prof Deidre Le Fevre <i>Courageous leadership in complex times</i>						
5.00 - 6.30pm	Networking Reception Hosted in the exhibition area, join your colleagues and exhibitors for canapes, beverages, and great conversation.						

THURSDAY 31 JULY							
8.00am	Informal coffee and networking time - Exhibition & Registration open - arrival tea/coffee plus coffee carts will be open!						
9.00 - 10.00am	Keynote: Dr Nina Hood <i>Unpacking the Science of Learning</i>						
10.00 - 10.20am	NASDAP AGM						
10.20 - 11.00am	Morning kai in the Exhibition Area						
11.00am - 12.00pm Workshops Session 3	The Science of Learning in the classroom Nina Hood (The Education Hub/ The Teachers' Institute)	Adaptive Leadership in Action: Strategies for Navigating Complexity with Curiosity and Courage Deidre Le Fevre (University of Auckland)	From Data to Dialogue – Leading Attendance Change Through Kōrero and Whānau partnership Philippa Wintle (Albany Senior High School)	Growing Leadership– Mentoring and Coaching in Secondary School in Aotearoa Pip Woodward & Kate Thornton (Ōtūmoetai College & Victoria University of Wellington)	Senior Leaders as Employers – The fundamentals of effective employment relationships James Morris & Kathleen Kaveney (PPTA Te Wehengarua)	Mahi Tahi - A research informed approach to lesson observation James Heneghan & Lauren Wing (Long Bay College)	Beyond the Headlines: The Reality of Leading a New School Naomi Bates, Toni Brewer, Samantha Farook & Elsie Leslie (Mangakōtukutuku College)

FRIDAY 1 AUGUST							
8.30am	Light breakfast & Networking time - Exhibition & Registration open						
9.00 - 10.00 am Workshops Session 7	The important information that I want to leave behind Margaret Ross (Ross Communication)	What's love got to do with it - The secret to leadership well being John Peachey (The Think Farm)	Artificial Intelligence Framework for Education in Aotearoa, New Zealand Andrew Churches (Digital Technology Teacher Aotearoa)	Change and resistance: Effective practices for leaders Amira Aman (Leadership Development)	A Pastoral Care Journey – From Reaction to Proactive Support Gail Colliar (Whangaparāoa)	Finding our way to Flourishing Richard van Dam (Dilworth School)	Leading the Way Forward: Embracing a New Student Management System for School Success Grace Copeland (Helix)
10.00 - 10.10am	Transition						
10.10 - 11.10am Workshops Session 8	Smart Tools at School for making everyday tasks digital and easy! Sheldon Lendrum & Chris Lambdin (Inbox Design Limited)	Investigating misconduct/complaints - tips for a fair investigation process Bindy Tatham Professional Insight	Seeing Clearly: Leading with Courage and Clarity in Assessment and Data Practices Melissa Denzler (Rangahau Mātauranga O Aotearoa – NZCER)	Building System Capability through Learning Walks Alana Madgwick & William Madgwick (Educatalysts)	Hacked in 30 minutes - Leading through the chaos of a cyber-attack Andrew Hood (Network for Learning)	AI for School Leadership in New Zealand Tony Gilbert (New Era Technology)	Tahatu Career Navigator: Making strategic careers system leadership relevant for all New Zealanders Nina Ive (Tertiary Education Commission)
11.10 - 12.00pm	Brunch in the Exhibition Area						
12.00 - 1.00pm	Keynote: Hoturoa Barclay-Kerr <i>Waka as a Symbol of Mana in the 21st Century</i>						
1.00 - 1.15pm	Conference Closing						

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