

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) 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.							

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 M	irama Kamo & NASDA	P						
	2025 Event Partner in	2025 Event Partner introduction - Active Vision							
10.40 - 11.40am	Keynote: Dr Linda Be	Keynote: Dr Linda Bendikson							
	Waves against rocks in the sea - leadership resiliency in times of complexity and change								
11.40 - 12.40pm	Lunch in the Exhibitio	n 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)	Al 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)	Al-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)	Improvement	
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)							
	Supported by Victoria University of Wellington							
4.00 - 5.00pm	Keynote: Prof Deidre Le Fevre							
	Courageous leadership in complex times							
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 r	nformal coffee and networking time - Exhibition & Registration open - arrival tea/coffee plus coffee carts will be open!							
9.00 - 10.00am	_	Keynote: Dr Nina Hood Unpacking the Science of Learning							
10.00 - 10.20am	NASDAP AGM	NASDAP AGM							
10.20 - 11.00am	Morning kai in the Ex	hibition 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)	Employers – The fundamentals of effective employment relationships James Morris & Kathleen Kaveney (PPTA Te	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)		

12.00 - 1.00pm	Lunch in the Exhibition Area								
1.00 - 2.00pm Workshops Session 4	Pathways to secondary school principalship — enablers and challenges Craig Morrison, Meredith Raukura & Kate Thornton (Wakatipu College, One Tree Hill College & Victoria University of Wellington)	Individual and organisational stress and burnout - Management and prevention lan Harper (STEM NZ)	Leading Learning and Change: How Cashmere High Bridged the Financial Literacy Gap (and What It Teaches Us About Driving Change) Kellie Fenemor & Matt Benassi (Cashmere High School & Banqer)	Leading the use of data to inform teacher learning Hamish Chalmers (Albany Senior High School)	Making use of the strengths of junior secondary Gwyneth Cooper (Lytton High School)	Professional supervision for educational leadership – what is it, why bother, and how to make it worth your while? Rachel Hawthorne (Transforming Conversations)	Leading Learning conversations with your teachers to support their learning conversations with students Karen Spencer & Ben Laybourn (Evaluation Associates Ltd)		
2.00 - 2.10pm	Transition	I							
2.10 - 3.10pm Workshops Session 5	Strategic leadership in the careers system Nina Ive (Tertiary Education Commission)	Leading What Matters: Building Capability and Culture Across Your Teams Karen Stimson & Libby Waddel (Rototuna Senior High	Leading with confidence, safety and care in the age of generative AI Sean Lyons (Netsafe)	Learning to Learn Tonia Calverley (Dilworth School)	Google for Education: What do I need to know as a leader and what's new in the tools? Steve Smith (Google for Education)	Leading Culturally Responsive Relational Pedagogies in your kura with Kaha and Mana Huia Toia-coll (Whangārei Boys' High School)	Wisdom from two worlds - Building deep resilience for climate change Rachel Bolstad & Steve Katene (NZCER & Heretaunga Intermediate)		
3.10 - 3.40pm	Afternoon kai in the E	Exhibition Area							
3.40 - 4.40pm Workshops Session 6	Ensuring all students pathway into Level 2 - helping all students be the best version of themselves, with a qualification! Karen Dobric, Liz Carrick & Esther Williams (Papatoetoe High School, Ashburton College & Pukekohe High School)	Connecting the elements in a Professional Growth Cycle; recognising naturally occurring evidence in the Standards for the Teaching Profession Kim Bonnington (Teaching Council)	'Finger on the Pulse' - Leading an observable culture that supports student wellbeing Andrew Sylvester (Linewize)	Support Personal and Professional Health and Wellbeing in Complex Learning Environments Cale Begley (Team Teach)	From Reflection to Impact: How Video and AI are Shaping the Future of Teacher Learning Melissa Campbell & Christophe Mullings (Rangi Ruru Girls' School & Iris connect)	Beyond Ratios: Building Leadership Resilience in EOTC Risk Management Fiona McDonald (Education Outdoors NZ)	A Message to Our Past Selves - What We've Learned in Leading Change and Where to From Here Alyssa Johnstone & Alicia Harrison (Central Southland College)		
7.00pm - late	NASDAP Gala Dinner (RSVP Required) Guest Speaker: Abbas Nazariand a live band following dessert!								

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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)	Framework for	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)	ts - 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)	Al 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						
	Waka as a Symbol of Mana in the 21st Century						
1.00 - 1.15pm	Conference Closing						





































