



# CPD EVENT

At Ramsden Hall School, Billericay

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

**An opportunity to share the knowledge of nationally renowned practitioners and presenters**

## Workshops include:

### Building Positive Relationships : 20 things teachers do - John Visser

This session will briefly discuss 20 ways in which teachers build positive relationships with hard to teach and hard to reach pupils in busy classrooms.

### Therapy within Education - Martin Gibson

This workshop will focus on the experience of introducing therapeutic approaches into The William Henry Smith School and explore some of the advantages and hurdles that have been encountered. In addition, it will attempt to highlight the benefits of embedding mental health and wellbeing within Education.

### The White Paper/SEN Green Paper - Andy Bloor

This workshop will look at the Government White Paper and the SEN Green Paper (if published) and its implications for children with SEBD.

### Helping Bereaved Children and Students in School – Dr Tina Rae

This workshop will focus upon the nature of death, loss and bereavement and the impact upon children and young people. Useful strategies to support the bereaved child in school (both on an individual and group basis) will be presented and the importance of developing a whole school approach will be considered. Effective support systems currently available for participants will be clarified and there will be an opportunity to discuss 2 useful case studies.

### Wellbeing : a Therapeutic Approach - Ian Wood

The *vision* of this workshop is to create a unique and refreshing perspective that is of great value to all interested in enhancing theirs and others wellbeing, to create a context in which professionals of different backgrounds can develop fundamental skills for applications relevant to their profession. This short program is experiential, practical, and easy to understand. Wellbeing therapy uses a blend of counselling, coaching, meditation and Hypnosis for behavioural changes and self development.



Location:

**Ramsden Hall School, Heath Road,  
Ramsden Heath, Billericay, Essex, CM11 1HN**

**John Visser** is Visiting Professor at the University of Northampton having retired in 2010 from the University of Birmingham where he was programme tutor for professional development courses in the area of social, emotional and behavioural difficulties. He is a consultant to schools, services and LA's nationally and internationally in the area of special education. He is widely known for his professionally relevant research and staff development work on classroom management; pupils with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties; teaching and learning, particularly differentiation and special educational needs. He has an extensive list of publications, the most recent covers issues around ADHD. A founder of NASEN he served in a variety of national offices (including President) over a 25 year period, he also served as treasurer to the Association of Workers for Children with Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties and the European Association of Special Education. He was the first non-American President of the Council for Exceptional Children's Division of International Special Educators. He has served as Chair of North Somerset's Strategic Schools' Forum and their Children's Trust. Currently he is a trustee of SEBDA.

**Martin Gibson** is Head of Therapy at The William Henry Smith School (a Residential SEBD 'Specialist SEN' school in West Yorkshire). He has 20 years' experience working within the SEBD sector; however his initial interest in adolescent mental health stems from his background as a Psychiatric Nurse. Over the past few years the school has acknowledged the need to provide more than just a 'behaviour management' approach and Martin has been instrumental in introducing and developing a range of therapeutic services which are now offered to all students as part of the 24 hour curriculum. In addition, a significant part of his role involves raising staff awareness in relation to the mental health needs of students and promoting the emotional well-being of the whole school community.

**Dr Tina Rae** is a consultant Educational Psychologist and has a wealth of experience in working therapeutically with children and young people and their parents/carers. She is a registered member of the Health Professions Council and a full member of the British Psychological Society. She is currently working as a Consultant EP and as an Academic and professional tutor on the Doctoral training course for Educational Psychologists in the department of Psychology at the University of East London. Tina has written extensively for Lucky Duck Publishing, Sage publications, Folens Publications, Paul Chapman Publications and for Optimus Education on topics including social and emotional skills development, anger management, grief, loss and bereavement, critical incidents, emotional literacy, self harm and suicide, and the use of therapeutic interventions with children and young people. She currently writes the e-bulletins for Social and Emotional Update newsletter and also contributes to conferences and training courses across the country. She is a member of the SEBDA council and a co-opted member of the ENGAGE national committee.

**Andy Bloor** is a Senior Lecturer in Primary Education (SEN, Inclusion and Diversity) at Canterbury Christ Church University, as well as the SEBDA Education Officer and on the editorial board of SEBDA journal Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties. He has a background of working in a PRU and of Advisory Teaching in a West London Borough

**Ian Wood** is a consultant therapist working at the William Henry Smith School in West Yorkshire. He has a background in project management, coaching, counselling, hypnotherapy, education, health, business, and parenting. From coaching children with challenging behaviour to leadership and middle management training. Ian has also worked alongside local authorities and their extended services to help create strategies to engage the most vulnerable in our society. He has is also a specialist in working with people with substance use problems managing alternative education services to creating interventions and providing accredited training to Staff within this field.

## Programme :

09.45 - 10.00 Welcome by Sue Cook (SEBDA Chairperson)  
10.05 - 10.40 Workshop (choice of 5)  
10.45 - 11.20 Workshop (choice of 5)  
11.25 - 12.00 Workshop (choice of 5)  
12noon Close

**Cost : £5.00 (includes personalised certificate and refreshments)**

**If you are interested please contact Nicki Jennings at Ramsden Hall School, Heath Road, Ramsden Heath, Billericay, Essex, CM11 1HN Tel 01277 624580 or email [nickijennings@btinternet.com](mailto:nickijennings@btinternet.com)**