



The Witherslack Group Conference 2017

Supporting you and your child



Our 2017 conference speakers:

Dr Tony Lloyd, Child Psychotherapist and CEO of the
ADHD Foundation

Managing anxiety and improving sleeping habits

Dr Madeleine Portwood, Witherslack Group Clinical Director
Neurodevelopmental disorders: co-currence the rule not
the exception (ASD, ADHD, ADD, Dyslexia and Dyspraxia)

Justine Sims, Head Teacher at Pontville School

Team Around the Child: an integrated approach to
learning and development

Witherslack Group Therapy Team

Adopting positive change to improve outcomes for your child

Saturday 6th May 2017

9.30am - 4.00pm

Pontville School
Black Moss Lane
Ormskirk
Lancashire
L39 4TW

£15 per person

£12.50 per person
if booked before
Friday 30th March 2017



"The conference provides strategies to try and improve the health, learning, well-being and social skills of your child."

Conference delegate 2016

Find out more about the speakers

Dr Tony Lloyd

Dr Lloyd became Chair of the ADHD Foundation when it was first established as a charity in 2007, he then became CEO in 2011 and has ensured long term growth and sustainability of the charity, which is now the largest user led service of its kind in the UK and is also the largest provider of training on ADHD and related needs. Dr Lloyd also acts in a consultancy capacity to several NHS, Local Authority and private sector agencies concerned with ADHD.

Dr Portwood has been a practising Psychologist for 26 years, specialising in Social, Emotional and Mental Health, Specific Learning Difficulties including Dyspraxia, Dyslexia, Autistic Spectrum Disorder and Sensory Impairment. As well as leading the Witherslack Group's Therapeutic Team, she is the Education Advisor for the Dyspraxia Foundation and an executive member of ESPA (Education and Services for People with Autism).

Dr Madeleine Portwood

Justine Sims



Prior to becoming Head Teacher at Pontville School in 2016, Justine was the Executive Head Teacher of a Federation for two outstanding specialist schools and a special 19 to 25 provision. She fully believes in a team around the child approach to learning and will focus her talk on this method of development, and how school and home can work in partnership to create remarkable outcomes for pupils.

A therapeutic workshop providing expert insight and practical advice regarding successful interaction between parent, professional and child.

Witherslack Group Therapy Team



"Well worth attending. A great day and good to meet other parents."
Conference delegate 2016

The conference will take place at Pontville School in Ormskirk and starts at 9.30am where there will be time to enjoy some light refreshments.

The first presentation of the day will begin at 10am.

Lunch is provided and we'll contact you following your booking to enquire about special dietary requirements.

The day will end with a Q & A session.



Pontville School, an Ofsted outstanding school since 2009, will once again host the conference in its state-of-the-art school hall. Pontville is regarded by many as the best school of its type in the UK and supports children and young people with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and speech, language and communication needs.



Who are we?

We are Witherslack Group, a leading provider of specialist schools and children's homes for children and young people with communication difficulties, complex learning needs, including Autistic Spectrum Disorder, and challenging behaviours. Our track record of achieving the highest possible outcomes is based on our unique level of aspiration for every child - to us everything is possible for our young people and we succeed where other education and care providers fail.

To book your place please visit www.witherslackgroup.co.uk/conference, email events@witherslackgroup.co.uk or call Clare or Rukiya on **015395 66081**.

Places for this event are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

We have a number of free parent/carer support events taking place across the country. If you would like to find out more please visit www.witherslackgroup.co.uk/events

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All proceeds from the conference will be donated to the ADHD Foundation.



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