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QASEL

SPECIAL EDUCATION LEADERS INC



QASELcon24

AMPLIFY YOUR IMPACT

4-6 SEPT 2024

BRISBANE CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

WELCOME TO QASELcon24!

On behalf of the organisers of this years QASELcon, we wish you a warm welcome!

Over the next three days, we present to you a conference packed with information and inspiration. Featuring some truly influential and exciting keynote speakers, this year's program also includes panel discussions, workshops and time to connect and share your experiences. We're excited to share QASELcon24 with you!

About QASEL

The Queensland Association of Special Education Leaders (QASEL) is the peak professional association for special education leaders across Queensland. QASEL members are Principals, Deputy Principals, Heads of Special Education Services, Heads of Curriculum/Department and other leaders and aspirants, who support students with disability, across all sectors of education in Queensland. Some members are based in special schools, many support students with disability and diverse learners in primary, secondary and early childhood settings.

Our vision | Successful Leaders – Successful Learners

Our commitment | To inspire leaders across the state to achieve the best possible learning outcomes for students with disability.

Our values | Leading: We advocate for equity and we influence for positive change.

Linking: We collaborate with purpose and support each other's wellbeing.

Learning: We learn together to build our individual and collective capability.

SIMONE COOGAN

MC, aka Microphone Captain
celebrating 10 years as QASELcon MC!

Simone Coogan is unlikely to call her herself a master of anything. As the conference MC, rather than being the Master of Ceremonies, she is our Microphone Captain. She is happy to be here as MC for the tenth time, because watching the best people in the world learn together makes this her favourite three days of year.



DAY 1: WED 4 SEPT

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



HON DI FARMER

Conference Opening

The Honourable Di Farmer MP is the Queensland Government Minister for Education and Minister for Youth Justice, and Member for Bulimba. Di grew up in Central Queensland and was taught the value of education as the most powerful tool we have to achieve progress and change.

In December 2023, Di was sworn in as the Minister for Education and Youth Justice. It is an important combination because if someone is in the youth justice system – they almost certainly disengaged from education from an early age. Di knows that investing in our education system to make sure students stay engaged with their learning prevents more difficult issues later in their lives, which is just one of the reasons for why the Queensland Government made kindy free in 2024.

Di is a strong believer in the importance of access to high quality education no matter where someone lives or what their circumstances are.

MICHAEL BUNGAY STANIER

How to Work with (Almost) Anyone

Michael Bungay Stanier is at the forefront of shaping how organizations around the world make being coach-like an essential leadership competency. His book *The Coaching Habit* is the bestselling coaching book of this century, with over a million copies sold and more than ten thousand five-star reviews on Amazon. In 2019, he was named the #1 thought leader in coaching, and in 2023 won the coaching award from Thinkers 50, “the Oscars of management”. Michael was the first Canadian Coach of the Year, has been named a Global Coaching Guru since 2014, and was a Rhodes Scholar. His most recent book, *How to Work with (Almost) Anyone*, shows how to create psychological safety by building the Best Possible Relationship with the key people at work.

Michael founded Box of Crayons, a learning and development company that had helped hundreds of organizations transform from advice-driven to curiosity-led.

Michael is a compelling speaker and facilitator, combining practicality, humour, and an unprecedented degree of engagement with the audience. He’s spoken on stages and screens around the world in front of crowds ranging from ten to ten thousand. His TEDx talk has been watched by a million and a half people



DAY 1: WED 4 SEPT

TIME	PLAZA TERRACE /PLAZA TERRACE ROOM
7.00-8.25	Registration and networking
8.30-9.00	Shannon Ruska , Welcome to Country Simone Coogan , Day 1 Welcome
9.00-9.45	Address: Di Farmer Official Opening by the Minister of Education and Youth Justice Address: Hayley Stevenson Assistant Director-General Strategic Engagement
9.50-10.20	Address: Andrew Thompson QASEL President
10.20-10.30	MGD Wealth Platinum Sponsor Message
10.30-11.00	Morning tea & trade exhibition Plaza Terrace Foyer
11.00-11.45	Keynote: Jennifer Peach Amplify your impact on reading for diverse learners: Implementation Science and the real-world
11.45-11.50	BFX Gold Sponsor Message
11.50-1.00	Keynote: Michael Bungay Stanier How to Work with (Almost) Anyone
1.00-1.45	Lunch & trade exhibition Plaza Terrace Foyer

DAY 1: WED 4 SEPT

TIME	TERRACE	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
1.45-2.35	Michael Bungay Stanier Workshop: How to Repair Dented and Bruised Relationships	Kim Triggell Putting Students First – True Differentiation of Positive Behaviour for Learning Processes for All	Jennifer Peach Donna Arulogun Building the language skills that underpin reading: Implementation Science and the real-world	Karla Pope Accelerating Students in the Mainstream School - Yr 8's in QCAA Subjects	Mel Bakes Respectful Relationships- Speak Up and be safe from abuse Communication Book	Susan Monaghan Leading Whole School Change through Universal Design and Relational Pedagogy
2.40-3.30	Jennifer Peach Donna Arulogun Building critical phonological skills for word reading: Implementation Science and the real-world	Rebecca Rosenberg Sarah Bambagiotti Creating Inclusive Classrooms: A Professional Learning Community on Universal Design for Learning	Michael Bungay Stanier Workshop: How to Repair Dented and Bruised Relationships	Pauline Zaini Sarina Watkins Mel Bakes ECDP Transition Program to Prep	Joanne Scott Building Inclusive Classrooms Through Trauma-Informed Practices	Sandy Kinsella Video Self Modelling to reduce behaviours that challenge
3.30-4.00	Afternoon Tea Plaza Terrace Foyer					
4.00-4.45	Panel Discussion					
5.00-late	Welcome reception Plaza Terrace Foyer					

DAY 2: THU 5 SEPT

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



AMY GREEN

Unlocking Wellbeing

Amy is founder of The Wellness Strategy, a published author, speaker, facilitator, and coach, and a leader in improving workplace culture and wellbeing in schools and organisations. As a past teacher and school leader, Amy is determined to change the way we view wellbeing to support our everyday and workplace needs. With a background in teaching and leadership and having studied human behaviour and positive psychology, Amy brings to the wellbeing space a fresh approach to what can be a sensitive topic.

Amy guides workplaces to understand the difference between individual and collective wellbeing to ensure all employees feel safe, valued, and fulfilled, and to bring about a workplace culture in which all staff thrive and flourish.

ANDY HARGREAVES

Age of Identity

Andy Hargreaves is Visiting Professor at the University of Ottawa, and Research Professor at Boston College. He is a member of the US National Academy of Education. He is Adviser to Education Ministers in Scotland and New Brunswick. Andy is past President of the International Congress of School Effectiveness and Improvement. He has published 35 books and has 8 Outstanding Writing Awards. In 2023, he was named Canada's Professor of the Year.



DAY 2: THU 5 SEPT

TIME	PLAZA TERRACE /PLAZA TERRACE ROOM
7.00-8.30	Registration and networking
8.30-8.50	Acknowledgement of Country Simone Coogan , Day 2 Welcome
8.50-9.20	Address: Ches Hargreaves ASEPA President
9.20-10.25	Keynote: Amy Green Unlocking Wellbeing: Transforming Workplace Culture through Innovation and Collective Responsibility
10.25-10.30	Queensland Teacher's Union Gold Sponsor Message
10.30-11.00	Morning tea & trade exhibition Plaza Terrace Foyer
11.00-11.05	MultiLit Gold Sponsor Message
11.05-11.35	Address: Robyn Albury Assistant Director-General: Disability Inclusion and Student Services
11.35-11.40	Empowered Learning + TUH Silver Sponsor Messages
11.40-1.00	Keynote: Andy Hargreaves Age of Identity
1.00-1.45	Lunch & trade exhibition Plaza Terrace Foyer

DAY 2: THU 5 SEPT

TIME	TERRACE	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
1.45-2.35	<p>Amy Green</p> <p>Workshop: Empowering Wellbeing: Elevating Everyday and Workplace Strategies through building Energy, Resilience, and Emotional Regulation</p>	<p>Jessica Walshe Jamie Creer</p> <p>PBL: Implementation with impact</p>	<p>Paula Hartwig Madeline Wild Mirja McAlpine</p> <p>Amplifying our impact through AAC</p>	<p>Mitchell Johnson Carmel Cooper</p> <p>Innovation in senior secondary pathways - the Indooroopilly SHS</p>	<p>Sunanda Bradbury Sheryn Wescott Cathy Streets</p> <p>Starting strong using AAP to build foundations for reading success</p>	<p>Kelly Thompson Vanessa Lockett</p> <p>Anticipated adjustments for Prep and other students new to state schooling</p>
2.40-3.30	<p>Chris Lassig Ric Day Ray Hack</p> <p>Supporting the implementation of Australian Curriculum Version 9</p>	<p>Joanne Carr Nicole Rouen</p> <p>Embrace, Engage and Empower- Building a thriving staff wellbeing culture</p>	<p>Amy Green</p> <p>Workshop: Empowering Wellbeing: Elevating Everyday and Workplace Strategies through building Energy, Resilience, and Emotional Regulation</p>	<p>Suboohi Khan Chloe Tarr</p> <p>Case Management Framework: Integrating planning, design and delivery for inclusion</p>	<p>Barb White Megan Jackes Vanessa Lewis</p> <p>Overcoming Barriers to Learners Accessing Systematic Synthetic Phonics</p>	<p>Jazz Green Mandy Morgan</p> <p>Using the PATH process in transitioning children and their families to Prep.</p>
5.30-6.00	Pre-dinner networking Plaza Terrace Foyer					
6.00-late	Conference Dinner Plaza Terrace					

DAY 3: FRI 6 SEPT

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



MICHAEL MCQUEEN

Mindstuck: Mastering the Art of Changing Minds

Michael McQueen is a multi-award winning speaker, trend forecaster and bestselling author of ten books. With clients including KPMG, Pepsi and Cisco, he has helped some of the world's most successful brands navigate disruption and maintain momentum.

Michael is a regular commentator on TV and radio and his work has featured in publications ranging from the UK Daily Mail to Medium.com and the Huffington Post. In addition, Michael is a familiar face on the international conference circuit having shared the stage with the likes of Bill Gates, Dr. John Maxwell and Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak.

Michael has spoken to over 500,000 people across 5 continents since 2004, and is known for his engaging, entertaining and practical conference presentations. Having been formerly named Australia's Keynote Speaker of the Year, Michael has been inducted into the Professional Speakers Hall of Fame.

TYSON YUNKAPORTA

Sand Talk: How Indigenous Thinking Can Save the World

Tyson Yunkaporta is an academic, an arts critic, and a researcher who belongs to the Apalech Clan in far north Queensland. He carves traditional tools and weapons and also works as a senior lecturer in Indigenous Knowledges at Deakin University in Melbourne.

Tyson Yunkaporta looks at global systems from an Indigenous perspective. He asks how contemporary life diverges from the pattern of creation. How does this affect us? How can we do things differently?



DAY 3: FRI 6 SEPT

TIME	PLAZA TERRACE /PLAZA TERRACE ROOM
7.00-8.30	Registration and networking
8.30-8.50	Acknowledgement of Country Simone Coogan , Day 3 Welcome
8.50-9.15	Address: Chris Lassig Assistant Director-General: Reviews, Curriculum, Teaching and Learning
9.15-10.25	Keynote: Tyson Yunkaporta Sand Talk
10.25-10.30	DSS and EduMarking Silver Sponsor Message
10.30-11.00	Morning tea & trade exhibition Plaza Terrace Foyer
11.00-11.25	Keynote: Sharon Schultz Senior Principal, Educational Capability EFI – Supporting the Right Work in Special Education
11.25-12.40	Keynote: Michael McQueen Mindstuck: Mastering the Art of Changing Minds
12.40-1.00	Prize Draw/Conference wrap-up
1.00-1.45	Lunch & trade exhibition Plaza Terrace Foyer

DAY 3: FRI 6 SEPT

TIME	TERRACE	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
1.45-2.35	Michael McQueen Workshop: The practicalities of persuasion	Jeff Souter Generative AI for inclusive learning	Andy Hargreaves Workshop: Leadership from the Middle: the closer we get, the better we lead	Katherine Tan Cherie Moore Developing and Designing a Whole School Approach to Inclusion and Case Management at SMSS	Jessie Middleton Literacy for students with vision impairment and additional disabilities	Deb Eland Kate Benfield Working towards positive adjustments for NCCD students in a mainstream high school
2.40-3.30	Andy Hargreaves Workshop: Leadership from the Middle: the closer we get, the better we lead	Jeff Souter Esports for SWD and trial project	Michael McQueen Workshop	Your school team Unfacilitated: Plan for actions to amplify the impact of your learning at QASELcon24	Vanessa Lockett Gaenor Dixon Extensive plus resourcing applications – evidence for Communication and Access domains	Graeme Clancy Internal Motivation - Implementing Choice Theory to support student driven choices
3.30	Close of Day 3					

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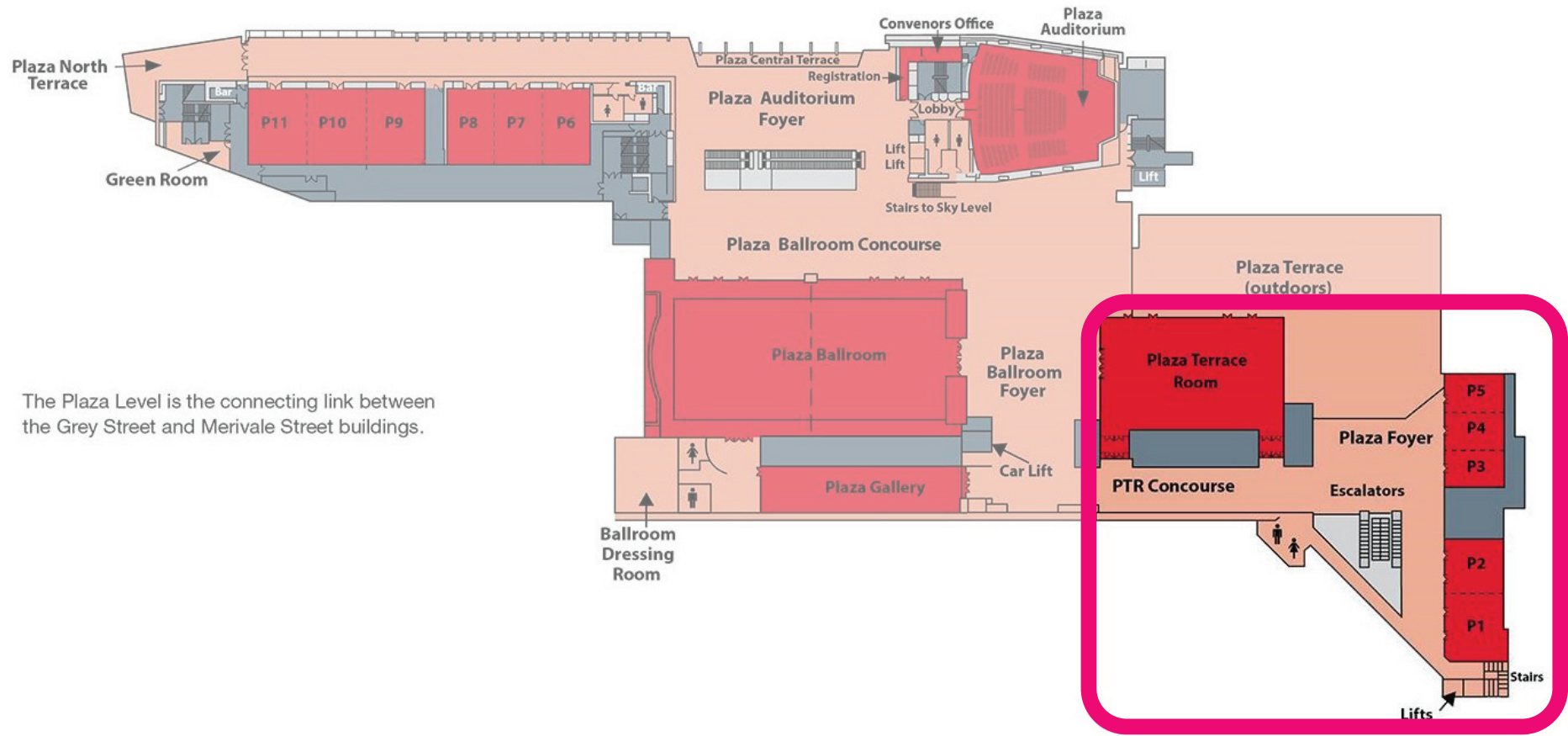


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VENUE MAP



The Plaza Level is the connecting link between the Grey Street and Merivale Street buildings.

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20 – 22 August 2025

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