

BUILDING CAPACITY

ACROSS THE PARENT COMMUNITY CONFERENCE

7 DEC 23 9AM - 3PM

- Understanding and simplifying the complex 'language' of the school system
- Recognising your rights as a parent
- Supporting the wellbeing of your child
- Developing an inclusive curriculum
- Understanding assessment of learning



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Date and time: Thu, 7 Dec 2023 09:00 - 15:00

Location: Online

The key focus of our annual conference this year is on 'Building Capacity across The Parent Community'. Minority Ethnic children are often 'caught' between two worlds - the home and school. In order to share parental aspirations and expectations for their children's educational achievement, parents should be supported to understand the language of schooling.

This conference is for BME parents, educators and key stakeholders who support the whole school community. Please join us - we will have a keynote speaker followed by workshops on each of the themes

There is a plethora of research highlighting the major role parents have in their children's learning. Indeed, there are many debates around what this 'involvement' looks like and feels like and how this influences aspirations, expectations and achievements.

Feedback from our attendees at last year's conference 'Building Capacity in Education and the Workplace' highlighted a significant gap - parents from Black and Ethnic Minority backgrounds felt excluded and disempowered with regards to their children's education. The simultaneous undervaluing and over-scrutinising of BME parents is the key mechanism that leads to inequality and injustice:

"Parents and communities of colour need to be genuinely involved and engaged as equal stakeholders in school communities."

"Encouraging the exchange of knowledge from generation to generation."