



Oldham **Learning** Festival

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**Monday 25 June to
Friday 6 July 2018**

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We are delighted to welcome you to our first Oldham Learning Festival (#OLF18 for the twitterati)

The aim is to celebrate learning and achievement across the borough and Greater Manchester. All those with an interest in learning and/or leadership – no matter what their professional background – are welcome.

Everyone attending will have an opportunity to engage and interact with colleagues and discuss and learn from best national and international practice in the field of leadership, education and health and wellbeing.

If you're involved in education, social care, health, the third and voluntary sectors, school governors, or indeed if you're a parent or carer – this festival should be perfect for you.

The first week of the festival is based around a daily core programme, each of which focuses on one of five themes. The core programmes will be supplemented by 70 fringe events and more than 50 exhibitions for you to explore.

Throughout the second week – **Oldham STEMfest** – we're involving a wide range of young people, from early years to those about to go into employment or Higher Education.

STEMfest aims to raise the profile of the different careers in engineering and manufacturing available to everyone in Oldham.

We know that, despite their best efforts, some teachers will not be able to leave the classroom, but don't worry. We've arranged some twilight sessions so you don't miss your favourite speakers. This programme gives more detail of the varied offers.

On the next two pages you will find a summary of the events on each day in week one.

All events are free to attend due to generous sponsorship from the **Opportunities Area Programme** and the **Oldham Education Partnership**. It will be a fantastic experience for all and we hope to see you there at more than one of the days.

Best wishes,

Andrew Sutherland

Director of Education and Early Years, Oldham Council

Monday 25 June

Leadership Skills for All

Conference opening

Councillor Paul Jean Jacques

Cabinet Member for Education and Culture **9.25–9.35am**

Floyd Woodrow managing director and founder of Chrysalis Worldwide

Introduction and Finding Our North Star **9.35–10.45am**

Introduction to the Strategist, **11–11.45am**

Introduction to Ethos/Values **11.45am–12.30pm**

Introduction to The Warrior **1.30–2.30pm**

The Back Pack and Magnets **2.30–3pm**

Discussion **3–3.30pm**

Twilight session: **Floyd Woodrow**
Introduction to the Compass for Life **4.40–6.15pm**

Tuesday 26 June

Social Mobility and Dealing with Disadvantage

Emran Mian: Director of Strategy and Social Mobility at the Department of Education, **9.30–10.30am**

Professor Graham Donaldson: Adviser to the Welsh Government on Curriculum Change, **11am–1pm**

Graeme Logan: Deputy Director, Scottish Government (Chief Adviser on the Scottish Attainment Challenge) **2–3pm**

Alex Quigley, Director of Huntington Research School, York and Author of 'The Confident Teacher' and 'Teach Now! English' **3–4pm**

Plenary and close **4–4.20pm**

Twilight session:

Alex Quigley, Director of Huntington Research School, York and Author of 'The Confident Teacher' and 'Teach Now! English' **4.40–6pm**

Wednesday 27 June

Inspiring Leadership and the Curriculum

Dame Alison Peacock, Chartered College of Teaching **9.30–10.30am**

Gavin Oattes, Chief Executive, Tree of Knowledge **11am–12noon**

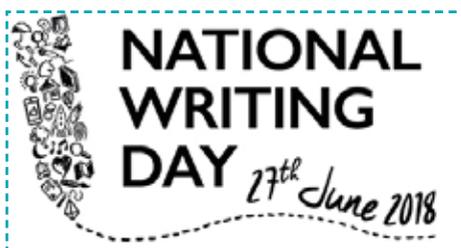
Helen O'Neill, Her Majesty's Inspector: Curriculum Leadership. **1–2pm**

Lucinda Roberts Holmes, Kevin Sinfield MBE, Fiona Bruce, Professor Geraint Jones **2–3pm**

Plenary and close **3–3.30pm**

Twilight session:

Lucinda Roberts Holmes, Kevin Sinfield MBE, Andrew Wilson, Fiona Bruce, Professor Geraint Jones **4.30–6pm**



Thursday 28 June

**Health and Wellbeing
and Neuroscience**

Dr Andrew Curran, Paediatric
Neurologist at Alder Hey Children's
Hospital **9.30–11am**

Deborah Page, Principal Educational
Psychologist/Head of Service
Derbyshire County Council
11.30am–12.15pm

Peter Kinderman, Professor of
Clinical Psychology, University of
Liverpool, and **Tom Billington**:
Director of Educational Psychology,
School of Education, University of
Sheffield **1.15–2.30pm**

Dr Andrew Curran, Paediatric
Neurologist at Alder Hey Children's
Hospital, **2.50–4pm**

Plenary discussion, **4–4.20pm**

Twilight session:

Peter Kinderman
and **Tom Billington**, **4.40–6pm**

Friday 29 June

Go4SET Celebration

Arrivals and refreshments, **9–9.30am**

Assessors briefing, **9.45–10.15am**

Presentations, **10.15am–12.15pm**

Assessors feedback, **12.15–1pm**

Guests arrive, **1–2pm**

Graduation Ceremony, **2–3pm**



Monday 2 July

**Primary Engineering
Celebration**

Tuesday 3 July

**Primary Engineer Greater
Manchester Leaders Award
Exhibition**

Thursday 5 July

The 'Make It' Challenge

Celebration awards,
9.30am–12.30pm

Welcome by BAE Systems,
10.05am

Begin project work, **10.30am**

Dragon's Den Pitches, **1.40pm**

Winners Presentation, **2.50pm**

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for the whole of the
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Monday 25 June



Theme: Leadership at all levels

Floyd Woodrow: Compass and Leadership

Day session: 8.30am–3.30pm

Twilight session: 4.40–6.15pm

Queen Elizabeth Hall, Oldham, OL1 1NL

Floyd Woodrow is the managing director and founder of Chrysalis Worldwide, a global values-based organisation. Floyd has had success as a military leader, director and is committed to developing teams and individuals through performance training.

He spent a number of years in the military and was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal for his work in Iraq and an MBE for his work in Afghanistan. Floyd wrote his first book 'Learning to Learn' while in his time in the military. He's also published two other books including 'The Secret to Elite Leadership and Performance' and 'The Warrior, The Strategist and You'.

Floyd will be talking about the 'Compass for Life Model' – a new teaching aid aimed at transforming the aspirations of school children and teachers. It changes the relationship between teachers and students, which will improve performance in all aspects of school life and beyond. Come along, be inspired and find out more about the model.

Twilight session

Floyd Woodrow: Introduction to the Compass for Life **4.40–6.15pm**

Tuesday 26 June

Theme: Social Mobility/Dealing with Disadvantages

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Twilight session: 4.40–6.15pm

**Queen Elizabeth Hall,
Oldham, OL1 1NL**



Emran Mian:
Director of Strategy and Social Mobility at the Department of Education
9.30–10.30am

Emran is Director of Strategy and Social Mobility at the Department for Education. In his earlier career he has held senior positions in the Cabinet Office, Business Department and has run a think tank. The talk will outline the view of the Regional Schools Commissioner about how ‘good’ and ‘outstanding’ schools can help deliver social mobility and reduce disadvantage.



Professor Graham Donaldson: Adviser to the Welsh Government on Curriculum change
11am–1pm

The fundamentals of the school curriculum has been relatively unchanged since 1988. Professor Graham Donaldson’s presentation will look at different practices across the UK, the OECD’s 2030 Project and reflect on the pressures on the curriculum. Not only that, he will also look for more imaginative approaches to professional learning.

Graeme Logan:
Deputy Director,
Scottish Government
2–3pm



Graeme was originally a primary school Headteacher before joining Education Scotland as an Ofsted Inspector. He rose to the post of Strategic Director, Education Scotland, acting as the Chief Government Adviser on the SNP flagship policy of ‘closing the attainment gap’ between the lowest performing 20% and the rest of the pupil population.

Following this he joined the Scottish Government as Deputy Director of the Learning Division. Graeme will share with you the strategic and operational priorities taking place across Scotland.

Alex Quigley:
Director of
Huntington Research
School, York and
Author of ‘The
Confident Teacher’
and ‘Teach Now!
English’ **3–4pm**



Alex is the Director of Huntington Research School and Research School Developer for the Education Endowment Foundation. Alex is the author of ‘Closing the Vocabulary Gap’, as well as being a regular columnist for TES and Teach Secondary.

Alex wants to tackle the challenge of social mobility in English schools and will explore, in his presentation, how disadvantaged pupils lag behind their peers when it comes to attainment.

Alex is there to offer practical solutions and tools for school leaders and teachers.

Twilight session

Alex Quigley, Director of Huntington Research School, York and Author of 'The Confident Teacher' and 'Teach Now! English' **4.40–6pm**

Wednesday 27 June

Theme: Inspiring Leadership and the Curriculum

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Dame Alison Peacock,
Chartered College
of Teaching,
9.30–10.30am

The 'restless CEO', as Professor Dame Alison Peacock describes herself, is the Chief Executive of the Chartered College of Teaching, a body created 'by teachers, for teachers'. Her career to date has spanned across primary, secondary and advisory roles and she is a member of the Commission on Assessment Without Levels and a visiting professor at both University of Hertfordshire and Glyndŵr University.

Listen to Professor Peacock as she explains the importance of sharing expert practice within the teaching profession and see examples from schools and classrooms that show the impact of evidence-informed practice.



Gavin Oattes,
Chief Executive,
Tree of Knowledge
11–12pm



International keynote speaker, award winning comedian, children's author and Chief Executive of Tree of Knowledge, Gavin has plenty of experience to share. Gavin's true inspiration for what he does comes from where his career started...primary school teaching. Listen to Gavin as he transports you back to when you were just five years old, a time when we feared nothing and embraced everything. You'll laugh and cry – and you will never eat broccoli the same way again!

Helen O'Neill,
Her Majesty's Inspector,
Curriculum Leadership **1–2pm**

Helen O'Neill is no stranger to royalty as she's one of Her Majesty's top Inspectors. Helen is a qualified teacher and has a Master's Degree in Education Leadership. With a career spanning across a range of schools in the North West and Midlands, Helen has a lot to share – her passions are leadership, curriculum and data. Join her as she shares some of her ideas and wisdom with you.

Kevin Sinfield MBE – Former Captain of the Leeds Rhinos and England Rugby League, **Lucinda Roberts–Holmes** – Managing Director STEP today, **Fiona Bruce** – Principal Teacher of Health and Well-being, **Professor Geraint Jones**, Dean of Education at the University of Buckingham and Chair of the STEP Advisory Group **2–3pm**

• **Kevin Sinfield MBE**

After leading his team to Super League Championships, two Challenge Cup successes and three World Club Challenges, Kevin could be described as one of the most successful players in Super League history. He holds records as the highest point scorer in Leeds Rhinos history and has received an MBE for his services to rugby league.



• **Lucinda Roberts-Holmes**

Managing Director STEP today
Lucinda Roberts-Holmes, is Managing Director of STEP today, a child development programme aimed at helping pupils overcome challenges with behaviour, concentration, self-esteem and academic attainment. Listen to Lucinda as she explains more about the STEP Programme.

• **Professor Geraint Jones**, Dean of Education, University of Buckingham/Chair, STEP Advisory Group

Professor Geraint Jones became Dean of Education at Buckingham in 2014. In 2002 Geraint founded the acclaimed 'Wake and Shake' programme, an internationally recognised programme and has advised a number of ministries.

• **Fiona Bruce**,
Principal Teacher of Health and Well-being

Fiona was appointed as PE Lead Officer for South Ayrshire Council in 2017 where she was responsible for developing physical education across schools within the local authority. A strong advocate for the positive benefits of exercise and movement she has trained staff on BMT and uses running and outdoor learning to build resilience and emotional wellbeing in pupils.



Twilight session

Lucinda Roberts Holmes, Kevin Sinfield MBE, Andrew Wilson, Fiona Bruce, Professor Geraint Jones 4.30-6pm

Andrew Wilson

Head of Teacher Training and Development for Scotland. **4.30pm**

After seeing the impact STEP was achieving in Midlothian, Andrew joined the STEP team in a full time capacity, delivering and maintaining the STEP teacher training across Scotland along with supporting schools throughout their programme.



Thursday 28 June

Theme: Health, Wellbeing and Neuroscience

Session 1: 8.30am–4.20pm

Session 2: 4.40–6pm

**Queen Elizabeth Hall,
Oldham, OL1 1NL**

Dr Andrew Curran,
Paediatric Neurologist
at Alder Hey Children's
Hospital specialising in
child development in
neuroscience,
9.30–11am



Andrew makes the complicated workings of the learning brain not simple, but understandable. Andrew presents in a way that everyone can use what they have learned to improve what goes on in school. Come and find out the workings of the brain – perhaps you'll learn something new!

Deborah Page:
Principal Educational
Psychologist/Head
of Service Derbyshire
County Council
11.30am–12.15pm



Deborah has co-written a training programme on behalf of Health Education England on Leading Mentally Healthy Schools and she considers staff wellbeing to be central to this. In recent years, Derbyshire Educational Psychology Service carried out a significant piece of research into school exclusions. Listen to Deborah as she presents the key

findings from Derbyshire Educational Psychology Service's research and take some ideas away for yourself.

Peter Kinderman,
Professor of Clinical
Psychology, University
of Liverpool,
Consultant Clinical
Psychologist with
Mersey Care NHS
Trust and **Tom**



Billington, Professor of Educational
and Child Psychology, Director of
Educational Psychology, School of
Education, University of Sheffield
1.15–2.30pm

Professor Kinderman's passions and interests are in the psychological processes underpinning wellbeing and mental health. His most recent book, 'A Prescription for Psychiatry', presents his vision for the future of mental health services. Peter points out that people are being harmed by our current approach and that we need change.

Tom Billington is both a registered academic and a practitioner psychologist. Tom has written two books – 'Separating, Losing and Excluding Children' and 'Working with Children: Assessment, Representation and Intervention'.



Tom has spoken at conferences throughout the world and has taught and supervised research on post-graduate programmes in child

development in different cultural contexts. His funded research includes young people's emotional wellbeing and mental health, attentional and behavioural issues and school exclusion in ethnic minority communities. Come and listen to Peter and Tom and take in a different view on mental health and wellbeing.

Dr Andrew Curran, Paediatric Neurologist at Alder Hey Children's Hospital specialising in child development in neuroscience
2.50–4pm

Twilight session

Peter Kinderman: Professor of Clinical Psychology, University of Liverpool, Consultant Clinical Psychologist with Mersey Care NHS Trust and **Tom Billington**, Professor of Educational and Child Psychology, Director of Educational Psychology, School of Education, University of Sheffield **4.40–6pm**



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We're involving Oldham's youngsters, ranging from Early Years to those about to go into employment or Higher Education in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM). The festival aims to raise the profile of careers in STEM. Interactive activities have been taking place with schools throughout the year and the achievements of these activities will be showcased throughout the week

Go 4 Set Celebration

Friday 29 June, 9am–3pm

Queen Elizabeth Hall,
Oldham, OL1 1NL

Throughout the year mentors from the STEM World have been working with 30 teams made up of Oldham's pupils to help them complete a special project. The brief for the project was simple, to come up with a concept of how to have a positive effect on key subjects that might affect their school or environment, for example, 'Water and Your School', 'The Business of Recycling' or 'Creating Sport'.

All students involved in the project will get the chance to pitch their brilliant ideas to the assessors on the Friday.

The most innovative and creative project will be crowned the winner – let the competition begin.

Members of the public are invited to browse the finished projects and help choose the winner between 1.15–2pm.



Primary Engineer Celebration Event

Monday 2 July, 9.30am–12.30pm

Primary Engineer Celebration,

Sports Hall, Oldham Sixth Form College, Oldham, OL8 1XU

Teams from primary schools have been invited to attend a celebration event to show off their shoebox cars and battery powered cars. The celebration highlights the achievements of pupils and teachers from local schools.

Primary Engineer Greater Manchester Leaders Award Exhibition



Tuesday 3 July, 9.30am–4.30pm

Queen Elizabeth Hall,
Oldham, OL1 1NL

Selected primary school and secondary school pupils were asked one burning question: “If you were an engineer, what would you do?” Pupils then identified an issue and invented an engineered solution to that problem. A public exhibition will take place to showcase the incredible work that has gone into these inventions. Come and see their incredible work at the open exhibition.

Make It Challenge

Thursday 5 July, 9.30am–3pm

Chadderton Suite, Civic Centre,
West Street, Oldham, OL1 1UT

Teams from up to ten schools across the borough will be set the task of setting up their own manufacturing business and compete to create a new product. The project teams will pitch their ideas to the panel and will be judged on their understanding of the design brief, the successful completion of key tasks and their enterprising skills and qualities.



Fringe events – the highlights

As part of the celebrations we asked businesses and organisations across Oldham to host and organise events themed around learning.

We'd like to thank everyone who has organised an event – you've made the festival all the more exciting.

There's something for everyone to enjoy and we've picked out some of the highlights from the fringe events programme below.

To see a full list of the events, and to book, please visit: www.oldham.gov.uk/olf and visit the 'Fringe events' section.

Oldham Coliseum Cultivate Festival

Monday 25 June – Friday 29 June

Cultivate is a week-long festival focused on theatre upskilling. Packed with open auditions, workshops, talks and socials, Cultivate is an opportunity not to be missed for anyone wanting to get into theatre.

Oldham Coliseum, Fairbottom Street, Oldham, OL1 3SW

Crypt Tour at Oldham Parish Church

Monday 25 June, 10–11am

Tour the eerie Oldham Crypt and learn about the Oldham Giants and the industrial revolution.

Must book in advance.

Oldham Parish Church, Rock Street, Oldham, OL1 3UH

Get Oldham Working Ageing Well Hub

Thursday 28 June, from 9.30am

Looking to change your career or gain the skills you need to further your career? Drop into these free sessions and get help and support from experienced advisors.

Werneth Lifelong Learning Centre, Frederick Street, Oldham, OL8 1RB

Miraculum Children's Choir

Wednesday 27 June, 2–3pm

Listen to the world famous Hungarian Miraculum Children's Choir as they perform in England for their ninth time.

Must book in advance.

The Lecture Theatre, Oldham Sixth Form College, Oldham, OL8 1XU

CodeUp with Hack Oldham

Thursday 28 June, 7pm

CodeUp is an opportunity for adults learning to code (for fun or business) to meet other coders and get help with any problems.

**38–44 Yorkshire Street,
Oldham, OL1 1SE**

Hack Oldham Digital Drop In

Saturday 30 June, from 10am

Get help with basic IT questions and improve your tech knowledge all round. Bring your device or tablet and get tips on how to use it.

**38–44 Yorkshire Street,
Oldham, OL1 1SE**

STEM Ignite Talks with Oldham Libraries

Tuesday 3 July, from 4–6pm

Much like TED Talks, Ignite are a host of short talks based around a theme – in this case, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

Each presenter has only 20 slides which advance automatically every 15 seconds. This results in a fun presentation which lasts just five minutes.

Must book in advance.

**Oldham Library, Greaves Street,
Oldham, OL1 1AL**

Get Your Camera off Auto

Tuesday 3 July, 6–9pm

Learn how to use your digital camera better at these group sessions.

Must book in advance.

**Studio G Photography,
Hack Oldham, 38–44 Yorkshire
Street, Oldham, OL1 1SE**

Make. Play. Code.

Thursday 5 July, 4–6pm

Get creative with code and try new things, all while learning together. There's something for all ages so come along.

**Oldham Library, Greaves Street,
Oldham, OL1 1AL**





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For more information about Oldham Learning Festival, the speakers and the venues visit www.oldham.gov.uk/olf

Travel information If you're not driving, don't worry, Oldham has a great public transport network. To see your local bus or tram times, visit: www.tfgm.com/public-transport

The Queen Elizabeth Hall is just a three minute walk from King Street tram stop.

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Disabled access All buildings and locations are wheelchair accessible and have lifts.



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