

The Connected Education Community.



EDUCATE | INNOVATE | EVALUATE | FACILITATE | REJUVENATE

Welcome to the Connected Education Community.



It is a huge privilege to work in education!

It may not always feel like it, but playing even a small role in the development of the people who will forge the future of our world is a pretty awesome honour!

Education is a wonderful 'thing' – it is a life-long skill and enhances life-opportunities; the right of every child and young person, regardless of age, ability, need, disability, race, gender, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

It isn't a box to operate within, or something you get off the shelf and deliver – education must meet the needs of every child and young person, not just in our schools now but each and every time an individual, a family, a cohort joins a school or an educational organisation; and for the future generations who are not yet in our schools.

At **Connected Education** we strive to ensure that our schools and our education system enables every child and young person, and the adults who support and nurture them, to flourish and thrive in an environment and system where all are valued, and all are included.

Education is about providing the building blocks, skills and opportunities for each person to develop individually and as a global citizen; celebrating diversity; giving hope to every child and young person; holding equity, equality and justice as central to all we do.

Our educational landscape is complex, restrictive and ever-changing but there is so much untapped opportunity in our system that can positively impact outcomes and life opportunities for the children and young people in our care; and which can improve the well-being and opportunities for our staff, team members and volunteers.

At **Connected Education** our mission is to

*Equip educational organisations, leaders, and staff with the collaborative community, bespoke tools, training, support and opportunities to provide innovative, individualised, inclusive education for **all** children and young people.*

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Our work is focused on **COLLABORATION** and our **5 PILLARS** which underpin the opportunities and services that we offer:



Our **aim** is that, **together** we can challenge the system and build the educational provision that we; as practitioners, educators and leaders of education, know will meet the needs of children and young people now and for the future. We aim to create an extensive community of educators who, together, will **be the change** in education – supported, enabled, impactful... and heard!

Be part of the change and get in touch with us today to discuss:

- Our Services
- Partnering and Collaborating
- Joining our Connected Community
- Your organisational plans and needs

Jez Piper

CEO, Connected Education

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ABOUT

With more than 25 year leadership experience in Local Authority maintained schools, and Multi-Academy Trusts and Federations of Schools in both England and Wales, **Connected Education** bring a vast amount of up-to-date, first-hand experience of teaching, day-to-day management and leadership of schools, and the leadership of educational organisations and Trusts. CEO, Jez Piper and Connected Associates provide expertise and significant experience in all aspects of education, with particular specialisms, skills and demonstrable success in relation to:

1. All key stages and phases of learning
2. SEND; Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
3. Curriculum design, delivery and assessment – particular strength in experiential, creative, skills-based and arts curriculum development at all phases and key stages. Music and Arts Specialisms.
4. Small and rural schools
5. Academisation
6. Organisational Change and Change Management
7. Stakeholder Empowerment through Ethos, Values, Vision and Mission development and delivery
8. Chief Executive Officer, Executive Headteacher, Headteacher, Trust Senior Leader – COO, Education Director experience
9. Corporate and Educational Governance and Compliance (both Local Authority and Trust sectors)
10. Risk and Financial Management
11. Strategic Leadership and Planning
12. Data Analytics and Tracking
13. Safeguarding Leadership and Training
14. Significant Change and Project Management
15. Successful Bid/Grant applications (TCaF, Free Schools, subject grants, capital grants, community grants)
16. Design, development and completion of new and free-school projects
17. Business and Employee Facilitation
18. Professional Coaching, Supervision
19. National Trainer, Facilitator and Coach (NPQ Delivery Partner)
20. CPD Design, delivery and facilitation (face-2-face, online, and video delivery)
21. School Improvement and Inspection
22. Strategic and Operational Leadership of DEI
23. Mediation, Negotiation, Conciliation and Conflict Resolution
24. Leadership and development of systems infrastructure
25. Church Schools Inspection (SIAMS) and Chaplaincy development

Committed to ensuring the best learning opportunities and experiences for all learners, Jez has been developing pedagogical innovation for more than 20 years. As a SENDCo, Senior school leader, Headteacher, Inspector and School Improvement Officer, and as CEO, Jez has led on the development of curriculum and assessment change; the creative curriculum; inclusion; integrated curriculum planning from 2 - 18yrs; organisational development; building new schools; coaching and mentoring; partnership and collaboration at a local, regional and national levels. He is actively involved in regional and national strategy working parties; and is an active advocate both of partnership working. (He also occasionally admits to having been a lead IT Trainer (for those of you who remember the days of the 'dreaded' New Opportunities Fund (NOF) trainers - he has to admit to being one of those!), and to have built from scratch several IT suites... but he keeps that quiet unless the printer has broken!)

Jez is passionate about ensuring the education system meets the needs of all learners, and will always look for approaches outside of the 'norm' that will inspire staff and learners alike in a life-long love of learning.

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Aspirational and inspirational educational opportunities for pupils, educators, leaders, and governors to support practice and opportunity.

Curriculum design and facilitation– English and Welsh curricular approaches, and all phases

Bespoke CPD, INSET, Training – Individual Schools, Hubs, Clusters

Working, Leading and Governing in and with Church Schools

Curriculum training and curriculum development training

Inspection preparation and planning – Ofsted, Estyn and SIAMS

Using Data – FFTAspire, GIAS, IDSR

Music and the Creative Arts audit, planning and provision – working with music and arts hubs/services; implement national plans

Assessment – core and foundation curriculum

Management of Risk and Risk Mitigation

Creative, and Experiential Curriculum Approaches, Planning and Delivery

Quality Assurance – planning, KPIs, review and strategic planning

The MAT landscape – structures, approaches and strategic planning

SEND, DEI – the inclusive learning environment and the inclusive curriculum

The MAT landscape – governance, compliance and accountability

Innovate



Tired of working in the same way? Do you have the chance to do something differently, but need support, an external/independent perspective and challenge? Innovate to improve provision, outcomes and wellbeing.

Innovative, bespoke curricular approaches – evaluation, design, implementation and training

School (re)development and design – learning environments, building adaptations, inclusion and SEND – Free-schools, Local Authority and Private build.

Bespoke staff development and training

Integrated learning approaches – experiential learning, skill-based learning, indoor and outdoor learning environments

School and Trust dashboards and information systems – cost-effective approaches to effective data management

Outdoor Adventurous Activities: Forest Schools, Bushcraft, Archery, Orienteering

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Need a fresh and independent perspective, review, and expert guidance and challenge? Evaluate provides a fresh approach to review of provision, practice and organisational approach.

School and Trust reviews
– Education and
Outcomes, Governance
and Operations...

School and Trust reviews
– full

Pupil Premium and
Disadvantage Review

Nursery and EYFS
Review and
monitoring

Church School and Trust
reviews – SIAMS
(England), Section 50 –
Gwella (Wales)

SEND Review,
Facilitation and
Planning

Self-evaluation and
School Development
Planning

School/Trust Evaluation
and Development
Planning

DEI review processes –
identification, planning,
evaluation and review

Safeguarding Review

Strategic Planning – training,
facilitation and evaluation

Trust School Improvement
Offer (TSIO)

Stakeholder Surveys and
Engagement

ITT provision and mentoring

School/Trust data
analysis and management

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Facilitate



Do you need some additional capacity, support or guidance?

CEO and Senior Leadership
Team Appraisal -
External Advisor

Adding capacity – some capacity for short-term interim posts to add capacity in schools at a leadership, executive leadership level; and in Trusts at a senior level – Education Director, CEO, Advisor, Education Team capacity

Governance development – policy, practice, structures and facilitated discussions with executive team, e.g Away Day organisation and planning

Facilitation – Strategic planning and delivery – SLT, Trustees, Governors, school leaders, cluster and hub leaders, curriculum and phase leaders

Supervision and support – leaders, particularly School and Trust Senior leaders – CEOs and Executive Headteachers

Project management – academisation, significant change business case, TCaF, management of change processes

Coaching – (professional individual and group coaching), Group and Individual Coaching, training for governors and trustees

Bespoke INSET, Staff Meeting, Presentation, Conference – planning, delivery and stakeholder engagement

Commercial development:
- Lettings
- Community facilities and legacy arrangements
- School-school / trust-trust support and engagement

Independent advisor and practitioner for academisation /federation – advice on joining Trusts, federating, due diligence

Design and facilitation of CPD training and course development

Multi-Academy Trust expertise:

- Setting up Trusts
- Vision, values, mission and ethos
- Transfer and conversion
- Risk management
- Governance – scheme of delegation, articles, policy and practice
- Reviews and MATSE
- Organisational structure and infrastructure
- Management of change, and organisational restructure
- Strategic development and change
- MAT visioning and stakeholder engagement
- Free School development, planning, design and opening – application to opening
- Significant change business case

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There are times when schools, Trusts and Local Authorities need someone to act in an independent position.

At Connected Education we offer the following support services

Dispute Resolution –
mediation, negotiation
and conciliation services

SEND and Inclusion advice,
investigation and independent
panel member

Independent panel
member or chair

Independent investigator

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Rejuvenate

Creativity and development for growth, wellbeing and sustainability

Facilitation of the delivery of organisational, curricular, structural change

Away Day / Strategic planning facilitation, presentation and planning + team-building activities

Induction for new teams

'Blue-sky thinking' sessions for strategic planning, underpinned by group and individual coaching

Conference/Event design, facilitation and management

Collaboration

Programme and training design and delivery – online and in-person

Connection and collaboration facilitation

What are you seeking to do next?
Next-steps organisation facilitation

Growth Strategy Development

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COMING SOON



Collaborate – The ConnectEd Community

Thrive

A movement and forum that focuses on School and Trust Senior Leader's wellbeing and connectedness. At a time when the pressures on our most senior leaders in education continue to rise, and without any mechanism to support their well-being, physical and mental health – **Thrive** seeks to provide a safe and confidential place to connect Senior Leaders, to build coaching and facilitating relationships, and a forum where leaders can 'offload and ask' without fear of judgement, and where an network of leaders can provide informal support and guidance to keep one another 'afloat'.

Cost, cannot and must not be a limiting factor in ensuring that our leaders are looked-after, supported and have a place to turn to – not just when they need it, but as a regular part of their practice and working week.

We seek to find a way to ensure that through coaching, facilitation, peer-2-peer support and collaboration to ensure that Senior Leaders are supported in the most effective way to help them to grow, and to lead educational growth.

EduVate

Our Education and Innovation Community Hub – a community of like-minded professionals who want to better the learning opportunities and curricular approaches we use in our schools. Community members will be involved in active research opportunities, will collaborate to create and share resources and then evaluate them together. This is an open forum community, built on professional respect and a desire to innovate and go beyond the constraints of the education system as it currently stands.

To find out more, and to sign up - check out our website - www.connected-ed.co.uk

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PartnerZone

We are honoured to be partnered by some amazing educational providers and thinkers, whose work underpins our own.

Check out our partner links below; and contact us if you are a 'change-maker' and want to partner with us to support providers of education.



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Contact Us

Get in touch with Connected Education to find out how we can help you, and how we can collaborate.



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