

Education for All Conference 2011

Challenging homophobia
and supporting young people



At home



At school



At work

Friday 1 July 2011

The British Library, London NW1

**Find out how you can support
all young people and celebrate
difference in primary schools**

Hear from a range of education
sector leaders, public figures and
senior politicians; attend specifically
tailored breakout sessions run by
sector experts and share good
practice and expertise

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

Nick Gibb MP Minister of State for Schools
Gok Wan

Sue Gregory National Director of Inspection
Services, Ofsted



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Use our

Celebrating difference DVD

Be among the first to see Stonewall's groundbreaking DVD for primary school teachers and learn how to use it in your school.

Do more with less

With the public sector working with reduced budgets, it's still possible to deliver effective anti-bullying activities in schools and across local authorities.

Find out what you can do to ensure your schools don't miss out.

Learn about new primary school resources

Hear from leading primary school teachers about what they're doing to tackle homophobic language and celebrate difference in their schools, with the help of new Stonewall resources.

Discuss the national picture

Recent changes in national education policy and the enforcement of the public duty require schools to demonstrate a commitment to tackling homophobic bullying. Find out more about how you can ensure you are meeting national standards.

Engage with faith communities

Working with a wide range of communities, including faith groups, can enhance your anti-bullying work and help create inclusive school environments. Find out about Stonewall's latest guide for schools on engaging with faith.

Meet the experts

Meet and question leading education figures, senior politicians and meet the Stonewall education team who are here to support you.

We're delighted to invite you to our 6th Annual **Education for All Conference**, Britain's leading event dedicated to tackling homophobic bullying and promoting equality for young people.

For the first time, this year's conference will comprise an opportunity for education and youth professionals to hear about recent education reforms from senior politicians, public figures and leading educational specialists, alongside a specifically tailored course for primary and secondary school staff, giving everyone the skills to effectively tackle homophobia in the classroom and beyond.

With the introduction of a range of policy and legislative developments, including the Education Bill and the Equality Duty, tackling homophobic bullying should be a priority for all schools. Attend this leading conference to find out what you can do.

We will also be announcing the winner of Stonewall's first Education Equality Index, our annual benchmarking exercise showcasing local authorities' work to tackle homophobic bullying in their schools.

Homophobic bullying can affect any child or young person in any school, regardless of their sexual orientation. **Two thirds** of lesbian, gay and bisexual young people experience homophobic bullying, with **98 per cent** hearing the phrases 'you're so gay' or 'that's so gay' at school. However, more than **two in five** primary school teachers say that children in their school also experience homophobic bullying, with **three quarters** saying they hear phrases like 'you're so gay' or 'that's so gay' at school.

Join us to discuss the latest resources and strategies to tackle homophobic bullying in secondary schools and support all young people, including lesbian, gay and bisexual pupils; and learn about Stonewall's innovative resources to help primary schools talk positively about difference and address lesbian, gay and bisexual issues in an age-appropriate manner, including the launch of our groundbreaking primary school teacher training DVD.

In schools that have said homophobic bullying is wrong, gay young people are **60 per cent** more likely not to have been bullied and are **twice as likely** to enjoy going to school and feel part of their school community.

Pupils who have seen lesbian and gay issues addressed positively in lessons are **60 per cent** more likely to be happy at school and **69 per cent** more likely to feel able to be themselves.



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- 09.30 Registration and Coffee
- 10.00 Welcome and opening remarks *Ben Summerskill*, Chief Executive, Stonewall
- 10.10 Keynote address *Nick Gibb MP*, Schools Minister
- 10.20 Keynote address *Gok Wan*
- 10.30 Presentation of Award to the winner of Education Equality Index 2011
- 10.40 Question and answer session
- 10.55 Breakout 1
- Celebrating difference: how to tackle homophobia in primary schools
 - Doing more with less: implementing efficient and cost-effective anti-bullying work
 - Leading change: championing diversity in education
 - Working with community partners to support gay young people
 - Teacher training: using a whole school approach and responding to homophobic language
- 12:05 Morning refreshments
- 12.20 Breakout 2
- Celebrating difference: how to tackle homophobia in primary schools
 - Leading change: championing diversity in education
 - Working with community partners to support gay young people
 - Working with faith communities
 - Teacher training: using the curriculum and managing resistance
- 13.30 Lunch
- 14.15 Breakout 3
- The changing policy context: how the education system will support your work to tackle homophobia
 - Teacher training: celebrating difference in primary schools
 - Teacher training: engaging with faith and the wider community
- 15.25 Afternoon refreshments
- 15.40 Primary School Campaign Launch *Alastair Tallon*, Education Director, Stonewall
- 15.55 Keynote address *Roger Crouch*, parent
- 16.05 Keynote address *Sue Gregory*, Ofsted
- 16.15 Question and answer session
- 16.25 Closing remarks *Ben Summerskill* Chief Executive, Stonewall
- 16.30 Drinks reception supported by Turner Broadcasting (CNN, Cartoon Network, TCM)
- 17.30 Close

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“What people said about the 2010 Education for All Conference:

‘This has been a superb inspiring day all round. Thank you I loved the balance of humour and seriousness, information and shared questioning.’

‘An excellent conference, well worth that long travel time. Entertaining, engaging participative, exciting, challenging thought provoking and tackled important issues head on.’

‘Thank you. The most incredible experience with brilliant presenters, materials, and perfect timing for me professionally and personally.’

‘Fantastic – very informative, easy, engaging and memorable. Lots to take back to school.’