

**Friends Schools Council
Biennial Governors' Conference
27th – 29th September 2024**

Scarman Centre, University of Warwick



A weekend for all governors of Quaker schools and Quaker governors of other schools

This conference is an opportunity for all Governors, however long they have been in office, to identify, discuss and explore issues we have in common, with a view to greater collaboration. It is also a development and networking opportunity.

Programme

Friday, 27th September 2024

3.00 onwards	Arrivals – rooms will be available from 3.00pm onward
5.45-6.30	Welcomes, introductions and overview of the weekend
6.30-7.45	Dinner
7.45-8.00	Welcomes to later arrivals and 'housekeeping' practicalities
8.00-9.15	Update on Schools (10-minute contributions)
9.15	Social time

Saturday, 28th September 2024

9.15-9.45	Introduction:	Why does education matter to Quakers? Why do Quakers matter in Education? Keynote Speaker: Paul Parker, Recording Clerk, Quakers in Britain Paul Parker will explore how education can help Quakers build the world we seek, the levers we have, and how we might pull them.
9.45-10.15	Session 1:	What is a Quaker education? Speaker: Chris Culpin
10.15-10.45	Session 2:	The Quaker Education of the Future (Student Videos) Speaker: Kit King
10.45-11.15	Coffee	
11.15-11.45 11.45-12.30 12.30-1.00	Session 3:	How do you create an overall Quaker view on education? Breakout sessions Group discussion
1.00-2.00	Lunch	
2.00-2.45	Session 4:	What makes a Quaker education distinctive and relevant to the 21st century? Speaker: Chris Culpin
2.45-3.30 3.30-4.00		Breakout sessions Group discussion
4.00-4.30	Coffee	
4.30-5.15	Session 5:	How do you successfully position a Quaker school? How do you successfully position a Quaker education? Speaker: David Whiting
5.15-6.00 6.00-6.30		Breakout sessions Group discussion
6.30-7.45	Dinner	
7.45-9.15	Session 6:	Is there a need for a new umbrella body for Quaker education? If so, what would it look like? What happened to the Friends Education Council? Speaker: Robert Gibson
9.15	Social time	

Sunday, 29th September 2024

9.00-10.30	Session 7:	What have we agreed on? What can we take back to our schools? How can we move forward on our conclusions?
10.30-11.15	Evaluation of conference & planning for future events	
11.15-11.45	Coffee	
11.45-12.30	Meeting for worship	
12.45	Lunch (and departures)	