## Whole Education Conference

Coin Street Conference Centre London

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"Preparing Young People For Their Futures"

Derek Bell and Jeremy Dudman Jones were delighted to have been invited to deliver a presentation on "understanding the brain" at the annual Whole Education Conference on Tuesday 26th February. It gave Derek and Jeremy the opportunity to network with others on pushing the agenda for the future of education in England. A keynote talk from Professor Sir Venki Ramakrishnan President of The Royal Society on 'Preparing Young People For Their Futures' set the tone for the day but the crux of the conference was the chance to delve deeper into the many new initiatives that are currently helping to shape teaching, learning and indeed curriculum issues. This was all accomplished through a number of breakout exploratory sessions, giving delegates the chance to drill down into different themes: Is your curriculum future ready, Two for one teaching and learning (that included meta cognition, Oracy, Outdoor learning and Spiral inquiry)

The Learnus brain presentation we delivered in the afternoon to a large group of keen, enthusiastic and willing participants after other sessions on "Developing a curriculum that will work for white working class boys", "Collaborative learning" and "Teacher coaching". After a moving video presentation by LYFTA the final summative commentaries were offered by the, always inspiring, Tim Brighouse the thought provoking Vivienne Porritt from WomenED and of course the Chair of Whole Education, Lord Knight. Over 200 delegates left the Coin Street Conference Centre; more determined, more motivated, more informed and of course more empowered to be able to facilitate the much needed educational changes.

Jeremy Dudman-Jones