



The Worshipful Company of Educators



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*The Charity of the Worshipful Company of Educators*

## Annual Summer Event

**Excellence in Exercise and Sport Education**

**Monday 8th June 2026**

**5.30-8.30pm**

***City of London School for Girls***

**St Giles Terrace**

**Barbican**

**London EC2Y 8BB**

*Followed by drink and refreshments*

The Master Educator and the Chair of the Educators' Trust  
welcome you to the  
Educators' Trust Annual Summer Event 2026  
*Excellence in Exercise and Sport Education*

*The Trust's Annual Summer Event brings together educators, livery companies, partners and supporters to explore issues of importance across education while celebrating excellence recognised through the Trust's awards programme.*

*Each year, a key theme of current educational interest is featured in the awards programme. In 2026, exercise and sport education was chosen. This evening explores how exercise, movement and sport can transform educational outcomes, wellbeing and community engagement across all phases of education.*

*Three of the award winners will present their work this evening, as examples of how that is being achieved through creativity, imagination and commitment – a theme developed by the Guest Speaker.*

PROGRAMME

5.30pm Arrivals and registration

6pm Welcome to the City of London School for Girls

The Headteacher, Jenny Brown

Welcome to members of the Worshipful Company of Educators, guests from other liveries and the wider world of education

The Master Educator, David Wootton

Formal programme introduced by the Chair of the Educators' Trust Board of Trustees

Dr Jennifer Somerville

**Award winners:** Ian Gregory, Chance to Shine; David Pickering, The Learning and Participation Department, the Royal Opera House; Craig Winrow, Endurance and Performance Centre, St Mary's University, Twickenham

**Guest Speaker:** Alison Oliver, CEO, Youth Sports Trust

7.20pm Conversations

7.45pm Closing Remarks

The Master

*The evening concludes with drinks and refreshments and an opportunity to learn more about the Trust's work recognising excellence across education.*

## BIOGRAPHIES

**Ian Gregory**, Schools and Programme Manager at Chance to Shine, a national children's cricket charity.

Each year, Ian runs training for 200+ coaches who work nationwide, bringing cricket to over 4,000 state primary schools. His trainee coaches describe Ian's sessions as transformative, improving their understanding of child-centred approaches, their confidence in supporting diverse needs, and in creating safe spaces. Ian is also involved in strategic national collaboration to strengthen coaching in cricket.

**David Pickering MBE**, Creative Associate for Ballet in the Department of Learning and Participation at the Royal Ballet and Opera House.

Most of the awards went to sports, rather than to the 'exercise' part of the title. So we chose David Pickering, the winner of the Theatre & Performing Arts Award, to tell us about an arts-led approach to increasing physical activity.

David has a deeply inclusive and creative way of introducing the joy of dance, movement and ballet to people of all ages and abilities. His achievements are both extraordinary and exemplary. His students include children and teachers in state schools, young people with additional needs or disabilities, adults in marginalised communities, people in health and wellbeing contexts, as well as professional dancers and dance teachers.

**Craig Winrow**, Performance Coach at the Endurance Performance Centre at St Mary's University, Twickenham

Craig is largely responsible for The Centre becoming an England Athletics Talent Hub with a national and international reputation in endurance running. He has coached athletes from beginner club runners, and national-pathway juniors and seniors, to international athletes who have achieved World Championship medals and reached Olympic finals. The secret of his success is his style of engagement with learners. He builds a rich peer-learning culture, with shared motivation and a strong sense of community.

**Alison Oliver** is passionate about the power and importance of play, physical activity and sport in children and young people's education and development. As a former teacher and teacher educator, Ali is now the CEO of the Youth Sport Trust, a charity with a simple mission, 'to build brighter futures'. The charity works in partnership with education settings to build 'active and well' learning environments and equips educators and empowers young people to harness sport's unique ability to build belonging and develop life skills.

*The Trust is grateful to the City of London School for Girls  
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