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2026
AFRIKINDNESS PARENT AND
INCLUSION CONFERENCE



CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP PACKET

Theme: Beyond Assumptions 2.0:
Reimagining Parenting, Youth Voice &
Professional Practice

October 24th 2026
Bridge Community Church
Conference Hall
Rider Street, Leeds
LS9 7BQ

Empowering Families. Building Inclusion. Shaping Futures.
Register: afrikindnessconference.org



Theme:
**BEYOND
ASSUMPTIONS**
20 Reimagining Parenting,
Youth Voice &
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**AFRIKINDNESS PARENT AND
INCLUSION CONFERENCE**

**3-DAY
CONFERENCE**

**PARENT CONFERENCE & YOUTH
EMPLOYABILITY WORKSHOP**

**SATURDAY
24TH OCTOBER 2026**

Bridge Community Church
Conference Hall
Rider Street
Leeds
LS9 7BQ

**EXHIBITION & COMMUNITY
BUSINESS ROADSHOW**

**WEDNESDAY
28TH OCTOBER 2026**

Bridge Community Church
Conference Hall
Rider Street
Leeds
LS9 7BQ

**PARENT ONLINE
NEURODIVERSITY SUMMIT**

**SATURDAY
7TH NOVEMBER 2026**

Online

ABOUT AFRIKINDNESS

Afrikindness was established to address the growing challenges facing children, young people, and families around racial identity, inclusion, safeguarding, neurodiversity, mental health, and educational inequalities. Through education, advocacy, early intervention, and community engagement, Afrikindness works to create safer, kinder, and more inclusive environments where every child can thrive.

Our mission is to foster positive racial identity development in children and young people by partnering with parents, schools, professionals, and communities to build understanding, strengthen belonging, and improve outcomes for future generations.

Afrikindness delivers training, conferences, research, youth-led initiatives, community programmes, and awareness campaigns that support families while influencing professional practice and systems change. Our work spans schools, communities, and organisations across the UK and Africa.

Since our inception, Afrikindness has focused on three key objectives:

EMPOWER CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

To help children and young people develop positive racial identities, confidence, resilience, and a strong sense of belonging.

EQUIP PARENTS, PROFESSIONALS AND COMMUNITIES

To provide the knowledge, tools, and support needed to navigate parenting, neurodiversity, safeguarding, mental health, and inclusion through culturally responsive approaches.

INFLUENCE SYSTEMS AND CREATE LASTING CHANGE

To strengthen collaboration between communities and services, amplify lived experiences, and influence policies and practices that improve outcomes for children, young people, and families.

Today, Afrikindness is recognised for its award-winning work in community engagement, education, neurodiversity awareness, safeguarding, and racial harmony, bringing together families, professionals, researchers, local authorities, and community leaders to create meaningful and lasting impact.



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ABOUT APIC

The **Afrikindness Parenting & Inclusion Conference (APIC)** was launched in 2025 to address a growing need for more inclusive, culturally responsive conversations around parenting, neurodiversity, safeguarding, education, mental health, and child development. As communities become increasingly diverse, many families continue to face barriers in accessing support, navigating services, and having their voices heard.

APIC WAS CREATED TO BRIDGE THAT GAP.

More than a conference, APIC is a platform for collaboration, bringing together parents, young people, educators, professionals, community leaders, local authorities, researchers, faith leaders, and organisations to share knowledge, challenge assumptions, and explore practical solutions to some of the most pressing issues affecting children and families today.

The inaugural APIC 2025 conference marked the beginning of a powerful movement for inclusion and community dialogue. Through keynote addresses, lived experiences, workshops, exhibitions, and plenary discussions, delegates engaged in meaningful conversations around neurodiversity, safeguarding, mental health, parenting, cultural identity, SEND education, speech and language development, digital inclusion, and faith and neurodiversity.

The conference created a safe space for honest reflection, learning, and collective action.

Building on this success, **APIC 2026** returns with the theme:

“Beyond Assumptions 2.0: Reimagining Parenting, Youth Voice & Professional Practice.”

EVENT DETAILS:

Expected attendance: **200-400**

Location: **Bridge Community Church
Conference Hall, Rider street LS9**

Date: **Saturday October 24th 2026**

Intended Audience:

- Parents and Carers from diverse communities
- Professionals, Service providers, policy makers, Business leaders
- Academics, Community & Faith leaders
- Young People (15 - 21 years)

This year, the conference will place a stronger focus on youth voice, belonging, identity, and inclusive professional practice, while continuing to explore the intersection of culture, neurodiversity, safeguarding, education, and wellbeing.

APIC 2026 will bring together families, young people, professionals, policymakers, and community leaders to challenge stereotypes, confront cultural misconceptions, and rethink how services and communities can work together to improve outcomes for every child and family.

WHY SPONSOR

This work matters because too many children and families continue to experience exclusion, misunderstanding, delayed support, and unequal access to opportunities. By creating a space where lived experience, professional expertise, and community insight come together, APIC helps shape more inclusive systems, stronger partnerships, and better futures.

For sponsors, APIC offers a unique opportunity to align with a growing movement that is influencing conversations, strengthening communities, and driving meaningful change for children, young people, and families across the UK.

Sponsorship offers a unique opportunity to align your organisation with meaningful community impact while gaining valuable visibility through branding, exhibitions, speaking opportunities, digital promotion, and recognition across our conference platforms.

YOUR SPONSORSHIP HELPS US:

CHAMPION INCLUSION

- Support children, young people, and families from diverse communities

AMPLIFY COMMUNITY VOICE

- Create platforms where lived experiences influence decision-making.

IMPROVE ACCESS TO SUPPORT

- Connect families with services, resources, and opportunities.

STRENGTHEN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

- Promote culturally informed safeguarding, education, and care.

DRIVE LONG-TERM CHANGE

- Influence conversations that reach strategic boards, councils, schools, and community systems.



BECOME AN APIC SPONSOR

Join us in championing inclusion, parenting support, youth voice, and culturally responsive professional practice at the Afrikindness Parenting & Inclusion Conference (APIC 2026)

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

PACKAGE	INVESTMENT	BENEFITS
Platinum Sponsor	£5,000	Headline sponsor recognition, premium exhibition stand, full-page brochure advert, website and social media branding, event recognition, 6 delegate passes
Gold Sponsor	£3,000	Prominent branding, exhibition stand, half-page advert, digital promotion, 4 delegate passes
Silver Sponsor	£1,000	Website branding, exhibition space, programme recognition, social media mention, 2 delegate passes
Community Partner	£50+	Exhibition space, website listing, networking opportunities, delegate pass

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsors can also support:

- Youth Employability Workshops
- Youth Voice Sessions
- Exhibition Hall
- Media & Video Highlights
- Translation & Interpretation Services
- Parent Summit Sessions
- Community Resource Packs
- In-kind Support



SPONSORSHIP PROCESS APIC 2026

Thank you for your interest in partnering with Afrikindness for the APIC 2026 Parenting & Inclusion Conference.

To ensure a smooth and transparent process, all sponsorships follow the steps below:

1. SUBMIT YOUR SPONSORSHIP INTEREST

Complete the sponsorship acceptance form on our website at <https://afrikindnessconference.org/sponsors>

This helps us understand your organisation, your preferred sponsorship level, and your areas of interest.

2. INITIAL ENGAGEMENT MEETING

Once your form is received, the Afrikindness team will arrange a short meeting with you to:

- Discuss your goals and expectations
- Explore the most suitable sponsorship package
- Identify alignment with your organisation's values and priorities
- Answer any questions you may have about APIC 2026

3. CONFIRMATION & INVOICE

Following agreement, Afrikindness will issue an official invoice for your selected sponsorship package.

4. PAYMENT OPTIONS

Secure payments can be made via:

- Online payment through our website: www.afrikindness.org
- Direct bank transfer to Afrikindness (details will be provided on invoice)

5. SPONSORSHIP ACTIVATION

Once payment is received, your sponsorship will be confirmed and activated.

Our team will then work closely with you to:

- Onboard your branding and promotional materials
- Confirm exhibition space and speaking opportunities (where applicable)
- Support your visibility across APIC digital and event platforms
- Provide timelines and guidance for all deliverables

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US

We are committed to ensuring our sponsors and business exhibitors receive a professional, impactful, and well-supported experience.

You will benefit from:

- Clear communication and dedicated support
- Early access to event updates and opportunities
- Strong visibility across our conference
- Meaningful engagement with parents, professionals, and community leaders
- A values-driven partnership focused on real community impact

We look forward to welcoming you as a valued partner of APIC 2026 and working together to create meaningful change for children, young people, and families.

If you have a direct question or urgent enquiry regarding sponsorship or corporate partnership, please contact Dr Pedi Obani (Conference Lead for Corporate Engagement), who will be happy to assist you.

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COMMUNITY BUSINESS ROADSHOW – APIC 2026

Showcase your work directly to parents, young people, professionals, educators, and community leaders at the Afrikindness Parenting & Inclusion Conference (APIC 2026).

The Community Business Roadshow is a dedicated exhibition space for organisations providing services, resources, products, and support across parenting, education, neurodiversity, safeguarding, mental health, wellbeing, culture, and community development.

EVENT DETAILS:

Expected attendance: **100–200**

Location: **Bridge Community Church
Conference Hall, Rider street LS9**

Date: **Wednesday October 28th 2026**
Time: **11am – 4pm**

Intended Audience:

- Parents and Carers from diverse communities
- Professionals, Service providers, policy makers, Business leaders
- Academics, Community & Faith leaders

This is your opportunity to:

- Promote your services to a targeted and engaged audience
- Build meaningful community connections
- Increase visibility and trust in your work
- Engage directly with families and professionals who need your support
- Be part of a growing movement for inclusion and impact

Exhibition spaces are limited and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Secure your space today by completing your registration and payment below.

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENT

- Business owners must demonstrate a clear commitment to providing resources that support children and parenting within diverse communities, ensuring that all services, materials, and practices meaningfully reflect the needs of families from varied cultural, linguistic, and social backgrounds.
- Community business owners will be required to pay a minimum exhibition fee to showcase their resources & services.
- Eligibility will be prioritised for business owners from Black, Asian, and ethnically minoritized communities



COMMUNITY BUSINESS ROADSHOW – APIC 2026 REGISTRATION PROCESS

Please complete and submit the registration form to express your interest in securing a place at the APIC 2026 Community Business Roadshow.

Complete the expression of interest form on our website at

<https://afrikindnessconference.org/community-business-roadshow/>

Once your submission has been reviewed, our team will contact you with confirmation and provide a secure payment link to finalise your booking.

Exhibition Fee
£50

We look forward to showcasing your work and supporting your visibility within a community of parents, young people, professionals, and organisations working to improve outcomes for children and families.

Once your booking is confirmed, our team will engage with you to:

- Allocate your exhibition stand space and event slot
- Collect your organisation details for inclusion in the APIC brochure and website
- Support you in sharing your logo, profile, and promotional materials
- Begin promoting your organisation across Afrikindness social media and conference platforms
- Provide full exhibitor information and event guidance ahead of the conference

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If you have a direct question or urgent enquiry regarding business exhibition, please contact Dorcas Fakile (Conference Lead for Speakers and Exhibitors), who will be happy to assist you.



CONTACT:

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APIC 2026 SPONSORSHIP TERMS & CONDITIONS

General Policies

The deadline for submission of sponsorship applications and signed sponsorship agreements is **30 days prior to the conference date**.

Payment in full for all sponsorship packages and sponsored items must be received no later than **30 days before the conference**. Failure to make payment by this date may result in the sponsorship package being released to another organisation and/or the inability of Afrikindness to guarantee the delivery of all sponsorship benefits.

A formal invoice will be issued upon confirmation of sponsorship. Sponsorship benefits will only be activated once payment has been received in accordance with the agreed terms.

Sponsorship Benefits

Afrikindness will make every effort to deliver all sponsorship benefits as outlined in the sponsorship package. However, sponsors acknowledge that certain promotional opportunities are time-sensitive and may be affected if sponsorship confirmation or payment is delayed. Sponsors are responsible for providing all required branding materials, logos, advertisements, and promotional content by the deadlines communicated by the APIC team.

Failure to submit materials by the specified deadline may affect inclusion in printed materials, promotional campaigns, digital marketing, or conference branding.

Cancellation & Refund Policy

A written notice is required for all sponsorship cancellations.

- Sponsorship cancellations made more than **60 days before the conference** will receive a refund minus a **25% administration fee**.
- Sponsorship cancellations made between **30 and 60 days before the conference** will receive a refund minus a 50% administration fee.
- No refunds will be issued for cancellations made within **30 days of the conference date**.

Any sponsorship benefits already delivered or promotional activities already undertaken by Afrikindness prior to cancellation may be deducted from any refund amount.

Late Payments

A **10% late administration fee** may be applied to sponsorship invoices that remain unpaid within 30 days of the conference date. Afrikindness reserves the right to withdraw sponsorship benefits, exhibition space, speaking opportunities, branding placements, or delegate registrations associated with unpaid sponsorship packages.

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Changes to Sponsorship Packages

Afrikindness reserves the right to make reasonable amendments to sponsorship packages, conference programmes, speaker line-ups, venue arrangements, or event schedules where necessary.

Should any changes occur, sponsors will be informed as soon as reasonably practicable and alternative benefits of equivalent value will be provided where possible.

Event Changes

In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of Afrikindness, including venue issues, severe weather, government restrictions, public safety concerns, or other force majeure events, Afrikindness reserves the right to postpone, reschedule, relocate, or modify the conference format.

Where possible, sponsorship benefits will be transferred to the revised event date or format.

Agreement

Submission of a sponsorship application and payment of sponsorship fees constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions.

For sponsorship enquiries, please contact:

Afrikindness Parenting & Inclusion Conference (APIC)
ceo@afrikindness.org
afrikindness.org

Key Dates:

- 22nd September 2026 - Last day to cancel sponsorships
- 22nd September 2026 - No refunds after this date
- 30th September 2026 - Deadline for Payments

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