## Michael Leach





**Business Consultant -Education Solutions NZ** Topic - Elevating Leadership Excellence: Navigating the Dynamics of an International Department

## **Speaker Bio:**

## Qualifications -

MEDL; Dip Development Studies; BA (economics); TTC)

## Career -

Principal Tangaroa College (1999-2005)

Principal of Botany Downs Secondary College (2005-2014)

Headmaster Kings College (2014-2016)

Michael trained as a primary school teacher, and he spent his first few years teaching at Papatoetoe intermediate. His shift to secondary education saw him experience diverse learning environments and communities. More recently at Botany Downs Secondary College, he was fortunate to position the College as one of 30 Microsoft World Tour schools where the school was showcased by Microsoft for its innovative learning programmes. The last few years of his career have enabled him to experience learning and teaching in the independent

Michael was the Auckland Secondary School Principals' representative on several committees. He was the Chairman of the Auckland Secondary Schools Headmasters Association that governs College Sport in Auckland, represents Auckland Principals on the National Secondary Schools Sports Council, and is a member of the STEAG committee which is an advisory reference group for teacher training.

He was on a ministerial reference group for boys' education which was formed in 2005 and was working with four other principals, ministry representatives and an Australian researcher, Peter Cutternance, on this project.

He has been on the PENZ board (Physical Education New Zealand) and is currently on the Counties Manukau Rugby Union Board.