## Education Studies Association of Ireland (ESAI) Inclusive Education Special Interest Group (IE SIG)

## **Invitation**

The ESAI Inclusive Education Special Interest Group (IE SIG) wish to invite you to the fourth in our

**Expert Lecture Series** 

with

Professor Melanie Nind

entitled

**Spaces for Inclusion and Exclusion in Schools** 

Thursday 3rd March

Time: 12 noon

Venue: MS Teams: Click here to join the meeting

## **Brief Bio of Prof Melanie Nind**

Melanie Nind, Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences, is Professor of Education at the University of Southampton. She is also Director of the Centre for Research in Inclusion in the Southampton Education School. Melanie is Deputy Director of the South Coast Doctoral Training Partnership and one of the co-directors of the ESRC National Centre for Research Methods where she leads research on the pedagogy of research methods learning. She has been conferred with gold membership of the Asian Qualitative Research Association, for support of qualitative research development, and with an honorary doctorate from VID, Norway, for her contribution to science. She is editor-in-chief of the British Journal of Learning Disabilities, past editor of International Journal of Research & Method in Education and is on the editorial boards of European Journal of Special Needs Education and Disability and Society. Her recent research projects have focused on pedagogy and innovation in research methods and on quality in inclusive research. Melanie edits the Bloomsbury Research Methods for Education book series. Melanie began her teaching career in special schools as a teacher of students with severe and complex learning difficulties. It is here that she developed and evaluated the teaching approach of Intensive Interaction for which she is best known. She has also taught in further education colleges where she has coordinated support for students with learning difficulties and disabilities. In higher education she has worked as an associate research fellow in the Centre for Autism Studies at the University of Hertfordshire, as a senior lecturer in special education at Oxford Brookes University and at The Open University developing and teaching undergraduate and postgraduate distance learning courses in inclusive education.