

Connect Chef In The Big School Bake Off Final

Award winning Connect Catering's Nigel Simmonds from Royal Grammar School, is through to the Big School Bake Off final following a thrilling live semi-final.

Ten regional semi-finalists prepared their bakes under the watchful eyes of the judging panel, including TV Bake Off winner Jo Wheatley, LACA representative Sylvie About and UFS Executive Chef Alex Hall.

At the end of the session the judges sampled each of the creations. The panel looked for taste, creativity, visual appeal and appropriateness for school menus. Each recipe had to be the baker's own recipe and contain at least 50% fruit aligning with the School Food Standards in England for fruit-based desserts served at least twice a week.



Alex Hall said: "All the competitors were brilliant on the day, but only eight could go through to the final. We'd like to thank everyone that's taken part so far and helped make the competition a success once again."

"We are delighted that Nigel has made it through to the final on Tuesday 27th September 2016 with his pina colada sandwich cake. Nigel has worked hard to perfect his delicious recipe to the criteria set for this competition. Everybody at Connect wishes him the best of luck for the final and we are sure his enthusiasm and high standards will stand him in good stead. Congratulations Nigel!"

Louise Laver, Joint Managing Director

