

DSA Training

Early Years and Primary Education: For learners age 4 to 11 years

Study day on how to support learning and development in the early and primary years. Includes advice and practical strategies for supporting learning which draws on the specific learning strengths associated with having Down's syndrome but emphasises individual differences.

Trainer: Gillian Bird

Registration and refreshments from 9.15 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.

Programme

09.30-10.30 How do children with Down's syndrome learn?

- Exploring a learning profile
- Good practice in schools
- Social inclusion and curriculum access

10.30-10.50 Coffee/Tea Break

10.50-11.50 Speech, language and communication

- Supporting communication
- Receptive and expressive language
- Speech
- Visual supports

11.50-12.15 Learning about numbers

• Recommendations for learners with Down's syndrome

12.15-1.00 Lunch Break

1.00-2.00 Learning to read and write

- Word reading
- Learning about letter and sounds (phonics)
- Reading comprehension
- Learning to write

2.00-2.15 Short break

2.15-3.15 Supporting social development

- Supporting friendships and play
- Supporting positive behaviour

3.15 - 3.30 Evaluation and close

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