

# Communication Workshops for families

## Total Communication Workshop

*(Great first workshop for new pupils to Glyne Gap school)*

Do you want to understand and discuss what communication means for your child and how to be a good communication partner?

- Learn what the different communication systems are and why/how and when to use them to support your child at home.
- Learn what the teacher means by 'receptive' and 'expressive' and what their Communication Goals mean.

## Creating Opportunities in the home

Would you like your child to use their communication at home with everyone and be more independent but unsure how with the challenges of home life, work and other children?

- Learn simple and practical ways to incorporate your child's communication into home life and the community.
- Chance to discuss challenges in communicating at home and find solutions that work for your child and family.

## Receptive 1- How to use visuals

Does your child find change in routine, finishing a preferred activity (park/ipad!) or doing a less preferred activity (brushing teeth/sitting eating a meal) challenging?

- Learn what visuals may support your child at challenging times
- Learn how to use visual supports to make changes in routine easier for your child and the family.
- Enable your child to understand what they are doing now/next and throughout their day.

## Receptive 2 - How to use visuals (check-lists and sequence strips)

Would you like to enable your child to complete simple tasks as independently as possible and contribute to their families and own lives..

- Learn how to support your child to use visuals to complete set tasks such as, dressing, cooking or washing up.
- Be able to support your child to use visuals in the community such as doing some shopping or going to a cafe.

## Signing

Does your child sign to you and you don't know what they mean or would you like to be able to support your child with signing but don't know where to start?

- Learn basic signs that we use everyday in school that could be useful at home and in the community.
  - Chance to discuss how signing could support you and your child.
- practice, practice, practice**

## Drop in Resource Making Workshop

- Every small term.
- Opportunity to update your child's Communication system at home i.e. new PECs symbols or to add different choices to Communication books.
- Make resources for a new event/change of routine or a holiday.
- Learn how to make resources with support of Communication Team.

# Communication Workshop Dates

## Term 3- 2023

- **Receptive 1 ( Now/next/then, Traffic lights and timetables)-** Wednesday 18th January @10-12am
- **Total Communication -** Wednesday 25th January @10-12am
- **Drop in Resource Making Workshop -** Wednesday 8th February @10-12am

## Term 4- 2023

- **Creating Opportunities in the home -** Wednesday 1st March @10-12am
- **Signing -** Wednesday 15th March @10-12am
- **Drop in Resource Making Workshop -** Wednesday 29th March @10-12am

## Term 5 - 2023

- **Receptive 2 (checklists and sequence strips) -** Wednesday 10th May @10-12am
- **Drop in Resources Making Workshop -** Wednesday 24th May @10-12am

## Term 6 - 2023

- **Drop in Resource Making Workshop -** Wednesday 28th June @10-12am

## term 1- 2023

- **Total Communication** - Wednesday 27th September @10-12am
- **Drop in Resource Making Workshop** - Wednesday 11th October @10-12am

## term 2 - 2023

- **Creating Opportunities in the home** - Wednesday 8th November @10-12am
- **Signing** - Wednesday 22nd November @10-12am
- **Drop in Resource Making Workshop** - Wednesday 6th December @10-12am

Alongside these group workshops we offer an individualised 1-1 support at home, focusing on a specific element of your child's communication. These are a combination of school and home sessions which focus on supporting communication in the home environment..

Family's will need to have completed the workshops offered by the communication team first before they can access the 'supporting communication at home' sessions..

**Please call/pop in your childs homeschool book or email to book a space. if you decide to come last minute it is ok to just turn up- if you have any questions either speak to class teacher or the communication team.**

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