

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.

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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.

Understanding Sensory Processing

Would you like you have a better understanding of the sensory systems and how they affect your child? Would you like to develop your own toolkit of strategies and sensory tools to help your child regulate at home?

- Learn about the 8 sensory systems and how difficulties in these areas can impact your child – from going out and about to getting to sleep.
- Be able to put strategies and plans in place before your child becomes overwhelmed by their sensory world.

Communication Workshop Dates

Term 1

- Parent resource making coffee morning-meet the team- 4th October 2023 10-12am

Term 2

- Total Communication workshop- 8th November 2023 10-12am
- Signing Workshop- 22nd November 2023 10-12am
- Drop in resource making workshop 6th December 2023 10-12am

Term 3

- Creating Opportunities Workshops - 10th January 2024 10-12am
- Receptive 1 Workshop - 24th January 2024 10-12am
- Drop in resource making workshop - 7th February 2024 10-12am

Term 4

- Total communication workshop - 28th February 2024 10-12am
- Signing workshop - 13th March 2024 10-12am
- Drop in resources making workshop - 27th March 2024 10-12am

Term 5

- Creating opportunities workshop - 24th April 2024 10-12am
- Receptive 2 workshop - 8th May 2024 10-12am
- Drop in resources making workshop - 22nd May 2024 10-12am

Term 6

- Drop in resources making workshop - 10th July 2024 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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