

Bristol Early Years Speech and Language Therapy - Children's Centre Team

Continuing Online Professional Development (CPD) for Early Years Professionals in Bristol, South Gloucestershire & North Somerset

Spring 2024

For more information visit: [Speech and language Therapy | Bristol Early Years](#)

Or

[Early Years Speech & Language Therapy – Children and Young People's Services \(sirona-cic.org.uk\)](#)

Or contact us:

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Look out for our...

new webpage:

- **Online Toolkit**
- **Talk to Me!** campaign resources. More ideas and tips added to share with families plus our
- bitesize information videos and tips
- [Early Years Speech & Language Therapy – Children and Young People's Services \(sirona-cic.org.uk\)](#)
- <https://bit.ly/EarlyYearsSpeechandLanguageTherapy>

new CPD offers...

- **WellComm Early Years Toolkit** – online training with Bristol Early Language (BEL) Project and access to the WellComm screen and resources for free
- **'Learning Language and Loving It' & 'Adapted More Than Words'** - Hanen's evidenced based programmes – delivered in-person
- **Stammering information video** for Early Years and Primary settings

Additional links to external training

- Bristol & Beyond Stronger Practice Hub
- Speech and Language UK (ICAN) training
- Links to DofE Early Years Education Recovery Programme

Teacher Talk™

Teacher Talk is an online Hanen CPD package which encourages language development in early childhood settings and links oral language & literacy. Play and daily routines provide opportunities to create enriched, interactive language-learning environments that include all children. Each course has **3 sessions**. **Please attend 'Part A' before attending 'Part B or C.'**

Part A: Encouraging Language Development in Early Childhood Settings

Learn how to: Identify children's conversational styles and the role that teachers play; let the child lead in individual and group interactions; help children become better conversational partners.

Part B: Let Language Lead the Way to Literacy

Learn how to: support literacy development by helping children develop a positive attitude toward the use of print; choosing books that match children's interests and stages of development; using book reading as a time for interaction and conversation; making print a natural and meaningful part of every day

Part C: Fostering Peer Interaction in Early Childhood Settings

Learn how to: provide a physical and social environment that encourages peer interaction and creates many opportunities or successful interactions with other children; making the most effective use of space in the classroom; encouraging a variety of groupings for interaction; providing appropriate materials and activities; creating reasons for interaction and providing specific coaching.

Please note: This training is free but there is a small cost for the accompanying workbooks (£14.95).

Teacher Talk™ Training A: Online Course (via Microsoft Teams)

Dates in Terms 5 & 6 to be confirmed.

Book here via Eventbrite:
<https://TeacherTalkA-online.eventbrite.co.uk>

❖ Please attend Part A before Part B or C

Teacher Talk™ Training B: Online Course (via Microsoft Teams)

Dates in Terms 5 & 6 to be confirmed.

Book here via Eventbrite:
<https://TeacherTalkB-online.eventbrite.co.uk>

▶ Teacher Talk™ Training C: Online Course (via Microsoft Teams)

Course runs 9.30-12.30pm
Course dates:
5th March, 12th March, & 19th March 2024

Book here via Eventbrite:
<https://TeacherTalkOnline.eventbrite.co.uk>

Participants must attend all 3 sessions to complete this course.

Adapted 'More Than Words™' Programme

(This course is delivered 'in-person' plus one online orientation session. Bristol & South Glos settings only)

A Hanen certified, evidenced-based course, adapted for practitioners working with children on the autistic spectrum

Come and learn about:

How to identify different social communication stages and use strategies to support language, social communication and interaction.

Offered to those **currently working with a child who may be on the autistic spectrum**. Participants must be able to **attend all sessions**.

Course runs 9.30-12.30pm
Venue: Speedwell Nursery and Children's Centre, Speedwell Rd, BS5 7SY

Course dates: Online Orientation session 6th February 2024
In-person Teaching Sessions: 20th February, 27th February, 12th March, 19th March, 16th April 2024

2 Video feedback sessions in your setting: Weeks beginning 4th & 25th March (approximately 1-hour time slots arranged with your course tutor).

Book here via Eventbrite:
<https://AdaptedMoreThanWordsSpeedwell.eventbrite.co.uk>

There is a More Than Words® guidebook to accompany this course, which is a recommended resource <https://www.winslowresources.com/>

Our training is **free** for practitioners working in Bristol, South Glos and North Somerset in Early Years. Sessions are online via Microsoft Teams, except for Adapted More Than Words and Learning Language & Loving It. Please check whether there is a cost for additional resources accompanying each course.

See below for **more courses**.

Learning Language and Loving It™ Programme (in-person)

(Bristol and South Glos settings only.)

Join us for this **Hanen certified**, evidenced-based course which will enable you to “create the kinds of enriched language-learning environments that help children learn best.” “You’ll discover how to help ...promote the social, language, and literacy development of young children (birth to five) using responsive interaction strategies that help all children learn, whether they’re typically developing, have or are at risk for language delays, or are second-language learners.”

The course includes 7 x in-person, teaching workshops, plus 4 video visits to your setting.

Upcoming Course

Course runs: Wednesdays 1.30pm-4.30pm @ Bedminster Children’s Centre, British Road Entrance, Bristol, BS3 3BZ.

Workshop dates: 31/01/24, 7/02/24, 28/02/24, 06/03/24, 20/03/24, 17/04/24, 01/05/24

Setting video visits- week commencing: 21/02/24, 13/03/24, 27/03/24, 24/04/24

Book via Eventbrite:

<https://LearningLanguageandLovingIt.eventbrite.co.uk>

Please note: Participants need to attend all sessions and have access to the ‘Learning Language and Loving’ It guidebook (cost is approx. £50 <https://www.amazon.co.uk/> <https://www.winslowresources.com/>)

Early Talk Boost (online)

Early Talk Boost is a targeted, evidence-based intervention aimed at 3–4-year-old children with delayed language: boosting their language skills to help narrow the gap with their peers.

The training is for early years practitioners working with small groups of 3-4 year-olds in early years settings.

For more information about the intervention:

[Early Talk Boost \(speechandlanguage.org.uk\)](https://speechandlanguage.org.uk)

Upcoming Online Courses (via Microsoft Teams)

Tuesday 30th April 9.30-4pm (full day course)

Please note: Participants need to have access to the materials pack (cost is approx. £500).

Book via Eventbrite:

<https://EarlyTalkBoostOnline.eventbrite.co.uk>

Baby Talk for Practitioners (online) For practitioners working with children 0-18 months

Come and learn about:

What skills are involved in communication?

What do babies need to learn?

How a baby’s communication develops; what to expect & when

Supporting parents and carers to identify the ways a baby communicates

What we can do to help a baby develop, feel safe and help their brain grow

How to contact us for further advice or support.

Upcoming Online Courses (via Microsoft Teams)

Course runs 9.30-11.30pm

Friday 15th March

Book onto this course via Eventbrite:

<https://BabyTalkPractitioners.eventbrite.co.uk>

Our training is free for practitioners working in Bristol, South Glos & North Somerset in Early Years. All workshops are online via Microsoft Teams except Adapted More Than Words, Learning Language & Loving It. Please check whether there is a cost for additional resources accompanying each course.

See below for **more courses**.

Identifying and Supporting Children with Speech, Language & Communication Needs (online)

Come and learn: How to identify children with speech, language and communication needs; supportive strategies for parents, carers and practitioners; when and how to signpost parents to the Children's Speech & Language Therapy Service; when and how to make a referral; question and answer session with a speech and language therapist.

Upcoming Online Course (via Microsoft Teams)

Course runs 9.30-12.30pm

Friday 22nd March 2024

Book via Eventbrite:

<https://IdentifyingAndSupportingSLCN.eventbrite.co.uk>

Speech Sounds for Practitioners (online)

Come and learn about:

The difference between speech & language skills; developmental milestones and typical patterns that affect young children's speech sounds; strategies to support clear speech; When and how to make an appropriate referral to Early Years Speech and Language Therapy; how to contact us for further advice and support; question and answer session with a speech and language therapist.

Upcoming Online Courses (via Microsoft Teams)

Course runs 9.30-12.30pm

Friday 1st March 2024

Book via Eventbrite:

<https://SpeechSoundsForPractitioners.eventbrite.co.uk>

Bristol Early Language (BEL) and the WellComm Early Years Toolkit – online session (online) (Bristol settings only)

This session is your way to sign-up to the Bristol Early Language programme and get a fully funded WellComm Early Years Toolkit worth over £500 for your Early Years Setting or Reception classes. This offer is open to all Bristol settings with children aged 3- to 5-years. The toolkit will enable you to screen the language and communication development of your children, and gives you intervention and curriculum planning activities through the Big Book of Ideas.

Online 'drop-in' sessions with a speech and language therapist are available for on-going support to settings who are using the WellComm Early Years Toolkit.

More information and course bookings via:

[Bristol Early Years – Calendar](#)

See page below for details of our:

- **Recorded information videos and bitesize tips**
- **"Talk to me!" key message campaign resources**
- **New Online Toolkit**
- **Additional free online training with other providers**

Our training is **free** for practitioners working in Bristol, South Glos and Bristol Early Language (BEL) and the WellComm Early Years Toolkit – online session North Somerset in Early Years. Sessions are online via Microsoft Teams, except for Adapted More Than Words and Learning Language & Loving It. Please check whether there is a cost for additional resources accompanying each course.

Online Information Videos

Short information videos recorded on our YouTube playlist to share with colleagues and families

Confident Communicators

Learn about how we can support language development and help children get started with their talking

[Confident Communicators - YouTube](#)

Sorting Out Sounds

Learn about speech sound development and strategies to support clearer speech

[Sorting Out Sounds part 1 - YouTube](#)

[Sorting Out Sounds part 2 - YouTube](#)

Stammering

Learn about stammering plus what you can do to support a pre-school child who is stammering

[Stammering - YouTube](#)

For Early Years and Primary staff:
<https://bit.ly/stammering-EY-primary-staff>

Continuing Professional Development (online) from other providers:

- [CPD - Bristol Early Years](#)
[Bristol Early Years – Calendar](#)
[Bristol & Beyond Stronger Practice Hub - Bristol Early Years Teaching Hub \(beyth.co.uk\)](#)
- Speech & Language UK [CPD short course \(ican.org.uk\)](#)
- Department for Education's Early Years Education Recovery Programme
[Early years education recovery programme - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

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for our

- New **Online Toolkit!** for a range of resources and information.
- **Talk to me!** Key message resources to share with families: 'Chat to me!' 'Play with me!' 'Share books with me!' 'Sing to me!'
- Information videos and bitesize clips to share with colleagues and families:
<https://bit.ly/EarlyYearsSpeechandLanguageTherapy>

Useful information

Our training is free for practitioners in Early Years working in Bristol, South Gloucestershire & North Somerset.

In-person courses are not currently available to North Somerset due to funding differences.

Please check whether the course is delivered online or in-person and whether there is a cost for additional resources accompanying each course.

Booking is via Eventbrite.

If you are unable to attend a course, please let us know in advance so that we can offer your space to someone else.

For more information

<https://www.bristolearlyyears.org.uk/health/speech-language-therapy/>

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