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It takes a Whole Community to Educate a Child

Speech, Language & Communication Needs (SLCN)

Tuesday 10th October 2017

9.30 am - 10.30 am

Aylsham High School

Speech, language and communication underpins everything we do – making our needs known, expressing our likes and dislikes, interacting with others and building relationships.

We often take these skills for granted, but many children struggle to communicate.

Some children and young people find it difficult to listen, understand and communicate with others and may need support to develop the surprising number of skills involved.

During this workshop, Tracey Woods, Outreach SLCN teacher for Norfolk will explain what you might notice if your child has SLCN and some suggestions of ways you can support at home .

A child with speech, language and communication needs:

- Might have speech that is difficult to understand
- They might struggle to say words or sentences
- They may not understand words that are being used, or the instructions they hear
- They may have difficulties knowing how to talk and listen to others in conversation

Children may have just some or all of these difficulties; they are all very different.

Speech, language and communication are crucial for reading, learning in school, for socialising and making friends, and for understanding and controlling emotions or feelings.

Children with SLCN may have difficulty with only one speech, language or communication skill, or with several. Children may have difficulties with listening and understanding or with talking or both. Each child also has a unique combination of strengths. This means that every child with SLCN is different.

Is it common?

Speech, Language and Communication Needs, or SLCN, is quite common. It is estimated that around 10% of children starting school have SLCN – that's approximately 2-3 in every classroom.

To book your place please contact Monica Harding, our Cluster Family Learning Co-ordinator by e-mail mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk or text/telephone 07780 887348

