

downsyndrome OK

Help for people with Down's syndrome, parents, carers and professionals in south-eastern
England

Affiliated to the Down's Syndrome Association

September 2007

Dear Members and Friends,

We are pleased to announce our forthcoming conference, on Saturday 3rd November. This will be held at Overton Grange School in Sutton.

We are very lucky to have Cecilie Mackinnon, training officer for the Down's Syndrome Association and a member of the UK Down's Syndrome Education Consortium, Dr Jo Nye, author of "A guide to adapting Numicon for children with Down's syndrome" and Helen Long, an independent advisory teacher to Bedfordshire Education Authority and chairperson of the Bedfordshire Down's Syndrome Support Group.

They will lead workshops on numeracy and the Numicon Maths System. These will be practical sessions with lots of ideas and suggestions to help our children and young people with Down's syndrome. There will be plenty of opportunities to try out materials and ask questions.

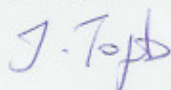
Enclosed is a copy of our programme and booking form, please feel free to pass both the form and the letter on to your child's school, or to any friends or family members you think would benefit from the day. Alternatively, for additional copies you can download a booking form from our website www.downsyndromeok.org.uk.

As always, downsyndrome OK are subsidising this event. We have made a conscious decision to charge the same amount for professionals as for parents and carers, to enable the information to be disseminated to as many people as possible.

At the end of the day, you will go away with lots of information to help your children with Down's syndrome to achieve their full potential.

Places for this event are very limited, so please ensure you book promptly to guarantee a place.

Yours sincerely



Jo Tofts
On behalf of downsyndrome OK

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Please circle your interest in Down's syndrome

Contact Name

Parent/carer SENCO
Teacher LSA
Other (please state) _____

Name 2

Parent/carer SENCO
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Other (please state) _____

Name 3

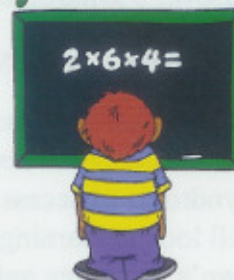
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Numeracy Day

Saturday 3rd November 2007



Overton Grange School
Stanley Road
Sutton
Surrey
SM2 6TQ

We are pleased to be hosting a full day conference covering Numeracy and the Numicon Maths System. This is open to our members and all those interested in helping children with Down's syndrome to achieve their full potential.

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Programme am

09.00 Coffee and registration
09.30 **Opening address**
11.00 Break
11.20 **Workshop A**
12.35 Lunch

Programme pm

13.30 **Workshop B**
14.45 Break
15.00 **Workshop C**
16.15 Coffee
16.30 Close

Opening address

Using Numicon with children who have Down's syndrome – this will include the rationale behind Numicon and the specific learning profile of children with Down's syndrome.

Accessing the curriculum with Cecilie Mackinnon,

Cecilie Mackinnon, training officer for the Down's Syndrome Association, will educate the delegates how best to encourage children with Down's syndrome to access numeracy at school and at home. The workshop will look at learning numeracy through the eyes of a child with Down's syndrome and how to use their strengths to enable them to access the curriculum.

The Numicon approach to teaching numeracy

Dr Jo Nye, the author of "A guide to adapting Numicon for children with Down's syndrome" and Helen Long, an independent advisory teacher, who are both accredited Numicon trainers will lead workshops on the Numicon Maths System. This will comprise of two practical workshops, covering the foundation kit, kit 1 and kit 2 and differentiating for children with Down's syndrome. These will be practical sessions with lots of ideas and suggestions. There will be plenty of opportunities to try out materials and ask questions.

All delegates will attend the foundation kit and differentiating Numicon for children with Down's syndrome workshop prior to the kit1 and kit 2 workshop.

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Booking form – Please complete both sides

The cost is **£20 per person** which includes a cold buffet lunch. Please advise us of any special dietary requirements. **No crèche available**

Please make cheques payable to downsyntaxeOK. An acknowledgement and directions will be sent on receipt of your booking form and payment(s). Please complete booking form and return with your payment by **29th October 2007** to Mrs Jo Tofts, 33 Ardrossan Gardens, Worcester Park, Surrey KT4 7AU Tel No. 020 8337 6715

Contact name _____

Address _____

Tel. No. _____

Email address _____

Total remittance enclosed £ _____

Please use Name 2 and Name 3 spaces for additional members of your party.

Contact _____

Name 2 _____

Name 3 _____

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