What works for children and young people with literacy difficulties?

"Although good classroom teaching is the bedrock of effective practice, most research suggests that children falling behind their peers need more help than the classroom normally provides. This help requires coordinated effort and training."

Greg Brooks,

Dyslexia/SpLD Trust 2013

The Equality Act 2010

includes learning difficulties such as Dyslexia under its definition of disability. The Act requires schools to make reasonable adjustments to the way things are done and provide auxiliary aids and services to reduce the barriers to people with disabilities including Dyslexia.

The Literacy Support Service plays a crucial role in supporting schools to fulfil their statutory requirements and meet national expectations and guidance for pupils with SpLD/ Dyslexia

- DDA
- Jim Rose Dyslexia Review
- Brighton and Hove Dyslexia guidance
- OFSTED Guidance

The Literacy Support Service (LSS)

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Expert Support for schools to meet the requirements of:

The Equality Act 2010

Sir Jim Rose Dyslexia Recommendations

Brighton & Hove Dyslexia Guidance

OFSTED Guidance

Statutory Assessments and reporting

A flexible package of support

- Close liaison with the INCo/SENCo to review needs and priorities linked to School Improvement Plan
- Range of specialist assessment and reporting options
- Focussed teaching of pupils with severe SpLD/Dyslexia need
- Devising and monitoring personalised programmes of work
- In-class observations and advice regarding Dyslexia Friendly Strategies for classroom teachers
- Modelling and training for teaching assistants
- Full range of standard or bespoke training for teachers, TAs and parents
- Parent meetings, including individual consultations
- Attendance at PARMs, ARs
- Co-ordinated work with other agencies eg EPS, Specialist Speech and Language teachers, SLT, ACE
- Specialist ICT Advice and support, including specialist software: Clicker 6, Write Online, TextHELP, AlphaSmart/Neo with Co-Writer predictive text, Inspiration, Dragon Dictate, Wordshark and software library

A uniquely qualified and experienced team of specialist teachers

- All LSS staff hold specialist qualifications in SpLD/ Dyslexia teaching
- Strong established links with pupils and Brighton & Hove schools developed over many years
- Over 600 primary/secondary pupils supported annually
- LSS staff able to carry out specialist assessment and reporting of Dyslexia
- Team members undertake CPD and attend national conferences so are able to advise schools on new developments, research and strategies

Extensive Central Resource Bank

- Wide range of specialist reading material to supplement school resources
- Highly effective in-house devised teaching materials freely available for schools to copy
- Extensive range of published teaching materials free to copy for use with SpLD/Dyslexia pupils supported by the LSS
- Sample toolkits to illustrate ways of supporting pupils in mainstream class
- Vast range of ICT resources available for loan, trial and use with SpLD/Dyslexia pupils