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# DSPL4 Newsletter

DSPL4 <https://www.dspl4.co.uk/>



## KEY UPDATES

### DSPL4 NEW WEBSITE LAUNCH

Please visit our newly designed **DSPL4** website for information on what we offer in our area and the support and training available to you and your families. Dates for meetings and copies of the newsletters can also be found on this, alongside contact line information and useful websites and links. We would love to hear your thoughts!

### SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SURVEY

The speech and language service would like all schools to complete a short 10 minute survey by the **16th February 2024**. Please take the time to complete this so they can continue to target their service to the needs in our area.

School Annual Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2SF2HDZ>

### HERTFORDSHIRES NEURODIVERSITY SUPPORT HUB

The Hub is staffed by experts by experience, they can answer any questions to do with Neurodiversity, however big or small, or just be a listening ear. Please note, no diagnosis is required to access the support and the helpline is open to parents, carers and professionals.

The Hub can be contacted by phone **Mon-Fri from 9-1pm** on 01727 833963, with an answerphone facility for out of hours or by email at [supporthub@add-vance.org](mailto:supporthub@add-vance.org).

### HERTFORDSHIRE LOCAL OFFER - WEBINAR [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer)

Thursday 11 January 2pm – 3pm [Click here to join the meeting](#).

Tuesday 16 January 10am – 11am [Click here to join the meeting](#).

### DSPL4 LHNF:

Please send HNF applications to [Dspl4lhnfpanel@wormleyprimary.co.uk](mailto:Dspl4lhnfpanel@wormleyprimary.co.uk)

Schools to virtually attend the HNF panel on **17/01/23** from 9.30-11.30 are **Raffles Day Nursery, Squiggles, Wormley Pre School, Monkey Puzzle Day Nursery, Longlands, St Catherine's, Bonneygrove, St Marys, Goffs Oak Primary and Rivers Primary Outreach**. HNF applications will be sent out in advance to read and a google form to complete before the meeting.

### MENTAL HEALTH LEADS ONLINE FREE TRAINING

Free online training for all SMHL, MHL and DMHLs. **9.30-1pm on either the 18th or 26th April or the 7th June**. To book please follow the link

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hertfordshire-schools-mental-health-leads-mhl-training-tickets-662271159867?aff=oddtcreator>

For further information please contact: [hweicbhv.schoolsmh@nhs.net](mailto:hweicbhv.schoolsmh@nhs.net)

Places are limited to two representatives per setting

January 2023



## Key Dates

LHNF deadline:

**02.02.24**

**5pm Deadline**

LHNF panel date:

**17.01.24**

**9.30-11.30am on Teams**

SENCo Forum:

**01.02.24**

**1-3pm**

**Wormley Primary School**

HfL SENCo Briefing:

**21.03.24**

**1-3pm on Teams**

Primary Pastoral Leads:

**07.02.24**

**1.30-3pm on Teams**

Primary Behaviour

surgery:

**17.01.24**

**8-9am on Teams**

Secondary Behaviour:

**25.01.24**

**5pm Deadline**

Secondary Behaviour:

Panel:

**11.01.24**

DSP4 Management

Committee Meeting:

**01.02.24**

**9.30-11.30am**

**HRC**



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## DSPL4 TRAINING AND SUPPORT



### FREE PRIMARY TA TRAINING - EFFECTIVE SUPPORT FOR SEND PUPILS

A free training course is being offered by Middleton Outreach, allowing TAs to spend time in classes paired with Middleton TAs experiencing good practice in the classroom. The TA would need to **attend both Thursday 18th January and Thursday 29th February from 9.30-2.30pm.**

To book please phone on 01920 485152 or email [admin@middleton.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@middleton.herts.sch.uk) and ask for Lisa Cox.

### FREE SECONDARY SPEECH AND LANGUAGE TRAINING

This FREE 1 1/2 hour training will:

- Unpick the crossover between SLCN and SEMH
- Explore how unmet language and learning needs can present as emotional / behavioural difficulties.
- Help teachers and teaching assistants see beyond the presenting need to support the underlying unmet needs of the child or young person.

**Monday 12th February 2024 from 9:30 – 11:00 via MS Teams**

To book please visit: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/774254565247?aff=oddtcreator](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/774254565247?aff=oddtcreator)

### HERTFORDSHIRE'S EP OFFER - SPACES STILL AVAILABLE! GET BOOKED!

#### Face to Face Solution Focused Sessions

Led by Naina Cowell and the EP Team

**Session 2: Executive functioning (28.02.24 10-12)**

**Session 3: Difficult Conversations (13.06.24 1-3pm)**

At St Catherine's School in Hoddesdon.

To book a space at one of these email [Lisha.Wallace@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Lisha.Wallace@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**Precision monitoring, Comic strip conversations or Social stories in School**

**Training.** Led by the Assistant EPs and delivered in your school. To book this training [naina.cowell@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:naina.cowell@hertfordshire.gov.uk).

### SPLD TRAINING

#### UCAN2 NUMBER ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION

UCAN2 is a new individual intervention which breaks down early number skills into small steps using a concrete, pictorial and abstract approach (3 sessions per week).

This course is aimed at school staff working with children and young people from Year 2 to Year 7 who have not secured basic number skills from Reception to Year 3 number objectives. **At Morgan's School, Herford. 8th February 9.30 - 12.00**

#### WHIZZY'S WORDS -2 - Phase 2 Intervention

Whizzy Words-2 is an updated one-to-one early phonics intervention (3 x 20 mins) for children in Years 1 – 3 who are really struggling with early phonics. **At Morgan's School, Herford. 25th January 9.30 - 12.00**

To book a place on either of these courses please email:

[SpLDTeam@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:SpLDTeam@hertfordshire.gov.uk). The cost is £50 per course.

Please note: They are unable to accept cancellations once a place has been booked.

### FREE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SPEECH AND LANGUAGE TRAINING

#### SLCN in the Primary Classroom

**Thursday 7th March 2024 9:30 – 11:30 via MS Teams**

To book please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/765218327617aff=oddtcreator>

#### SLCN in the Secondary Classroom

**Wednesday 13th March 2024 9:30 – 11:30 via MS Teams**

To book please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/765562667547aff=oddtcreator>



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## Useful Websites

[DSPL4](#)

[Speech and Language](#)

[Strength in Mind](#)

[Rivers and Phoenix](#)

[Hertfordshire Local Offer](#)

[Herts Grid - SEND](#)

[HfL](#)

[Families Feeling Safe](#)