

May 2005

Dear SENCO

Using ICT to Support Literacy Difficulties among Primary Pupils

7th July 2005 - 10:00 till 16:00pm, AbilityNet East, Papworth Everard

"An excellent opportunity to try out and evaluate a wide variety of educational software....."

AbilityNet is the country's largest charitable organisation dedicated to helping people with all types of disabilities lead fulfilled and independent lives through the use of adaptive computer technology, in education, at home and in work.

Computers can be used to enhance communication, provide entertainment and are invaluable as research and study tools. AbilityNet's aim is to help people with any disabling or limiting condition have better access to computers.

Some primary level pupils exhibit literacy difficulties which are commensurate with the early signs of dyslexia. Unfortunately, the needs of younger pupils are often not catered for on standard dyslexia courses. This course, however, addresses that balance by focusing on primary level pupils and the role that technology can have in both addressing the literacy difficulties and giving them the tools to bypass their problems. The morning session of the course looks at the didactic role that computers can play in addressing spelling, reading and writing difficulties, whereas the afternoon session looks at get round solutions which can help these students achieve success despite their difficulties.

In our seminar we will show you, with the help of demonstrations and hands-on sessions, how to help those with literacy difficulties. All our courses are run from our comfortable conference facilities here in Papworth Everard and include a buffet lunch and refreshments.

Please find enclosed a booking form. There are only 16 places available so do book early to avoid disappointment. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like further details.

Yours sincerely

Roz Gale
Administrator

Other AbilityNet SEN Relevant Courses

This year AbilityNet East have a series of courses that aim to help those involved in the Education sector deal with potential problems faced when dealing with SEN students and ICT. Delegates will be introduced to new adaptive technology and shown how to use it.

- **Successful Computing on a Low Budget:** this course is a great introduction to adaptive technology and looks at cost effective solutions to ICT access. At the end of the course you be able to go away with simple, practical adjustments that can be made, to make the computer safer and easier to use.

20th October 2005 – Papworth Everard

- **Improving Curriculum Access through ICT for SEN Students:** There should be no barriers to any pupil with a disability being able to fulfil their potential. A computer can help students regardless of their physical, sensory, reading or writing difficulties. This course aims to give a broad, impartial overview of the technology available, offering practical solutions to help meet the requirements of SENDA and the SEN Framework within a school setting. (£85 per delegate)

10th November 2005 – Papworth Everard

- **Successful Computing with Dyslexia or other Reading & Writing Problems:** the course will equip delegates with information on software & hardware that helps those who have a reading & writing difficulty. At the end of the course, you will have a greater awareness and practical knowledge of how the computer can be used to help address reading and writing difficulties.

17th December 2005 – Papworth Everard

For further information on these courses or any other that we do please call us on – 01480 839091.

A fabulous introduction to the range and role of computer literacy solutions.....



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Find out how to make the most of IT to support your SEN students!!



AbilityNet Course Booking Form

Course fees per delegate £125 (exc vat)

Please tick the appropriate box:

Which sector are you from?

Education ☐ Healthcare/Community/Charity ☐ Commercial / Business ☐

Other (please specify).....

How did you find out about the course? (Please circle one)

☐ Your Manager / Colleague ☐ Literature Received ☐ Advertisement

☐ Exhibition ☐ Web ☐ Other / Please specify:

Please return to: Course Administrator, AbilityNet, PO Box 94, Warwick, CV34 5WS OR

Tel: 01926 312847 Fax: 01926 407425 Email: courses@abilitynet.org.uk

Please book me a place on the following course: Date

Location.....Course title.....

☐ I enclose a cheque for £..... made payable to AbilityNet

☐ Please invoice – payment by BACS/cheque

☐ Please invoice – payment by credit/debit card (we will call for the card details)

Surname First Name

Job Title Name of Employer

Employer's Address

Postcode Tel Number

Fax Number Email.....

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