

SIGNPOST

Communication News & Resources



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Welcome to Signpost! Bringing you communication news and resources for the month ahead.

March is full of connecting, chatting and key communication skills!



KEY-WORD SIGNS

Watch, listen and sign along as Lucy reads the beautifully illustrated 'Hot Hippo' by Mwenye Hadithi.

Hippo is too hot in the sun and longs to live in the cool river... But can he prove that he won't eat all the fish?

Want to start signing or take your skills to the next level? Speech and Language Therapists will be holding a Key-Word Signing class in Yeovil from Tuesday 27th April. Or suggest your own dates for courses and workshops.

...AND COURSES





CM TALKATHON



Communication
Matters

Time to talk! Join Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) users across Britain for the CM Talkathon.

This online get-together celebrates 34 years of Communication Matters with 3 hours and 40 minutes of chatting, chortles and challenges. The fun starts at 13:30 on Wednesday 24th March.

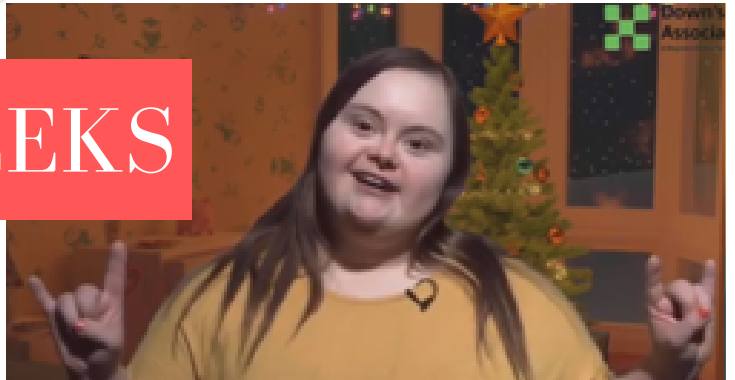
AWARENESS WEEKS

Down Syndrome Awareness Week runs from 15th-21st March, and champions the different ways we connect with each other.

The eloquent 'Who We Are' video is a must-watch. Plus, find excellent communication-boosting guides and activities here!

DOWN SYNDROME

Oh, and we also rock an extra chromosome!



AUTISM

Coming right at the end of the month, Autism Awareness Week starts on 29th March. Want to gain a valuable skill? The National Autistic Society has a great guide to writing effective Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations.

University student, Casper, explains the communication tools he uses to support his speech. And 'Listen' is a powerful response to the distressing experiences of many non-verbal people with autism.



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