Dyslexia Friendly Support Plan

Name	Year
Class Teacher	Teaching Assistant

Date: September 2019

Background information

... was diagnosed with dyslexia in by.... OR

... displays the following traits: difficulties in accurate and fluent word reading; persistent difficulty with spelling; difficulties with phonological awareness; difficulties with verbal memory; difficulties with verbal processing speed; poor organisation.

Do's

- Use a daily visual timetable.
- Use positive praise to reinforce good approaches to learning.
- Give specific positive feedback regularly.
- Have clear classroom organisation and labelling of resources.
- Provide an overlay to use whilst reading.
- Give additional 'thinking' time when answering questions and in conversations. If possible preprepare e.g. give question to think about.
- Make sure additional time is given to complete tasks and/or reduce the amount of writing required.
- Offer spelling support in the way of personalised word mats or word book and phoneme chart.
- Provide a 'help' drawer or box with supportive resource materials.
- Check with him/her 1 to 1 that he/she knows what he/she should be doing.
- · Avoid black on white.
- Use cream/peach for background on Active Inspire Flips/Slides and provide exercise books with blue or cream pages.
- Keep format for worksheets simple use large type and double space text and ensure there is not too much on a page.
- Reduce/avoid copying from the board provide desk top copies of what is on the board. If this is not possible, begin each line with a different coloured dot so that tracking is easier.
- Teach phonics/spelling using a structured, multisensory approach with lots of opportunities for overlearning.
- Cue him/her in to receiving an instruction by gaining his/her eye contact and saying his/her name before giving a verbal instruction.
- Teach the pupil to use strategies to support weak memory e.g. rehearsal, visualisation, mind mapping, making links and note taking.
- Allow to dictate/word process sometimes rather than always requiring handwritten work.
- Get the pupil to repeat back instructions.
- Only mark taught spellings.
- Teach using visual and kinaesthetic approaches use visual clues and visual strategies to increase effectiveness.
- Use a voice recorder (talking tin) as a memory aid.
- Additional individual reading with TA with specific strategies e.g. precision teaching sight vocabulary, rapid phonics intervention, strategies to work out unfamiliar words.
- Use book introductions to support understanding of what is read.
- Pre-teach important information before it is needed.
- Provide book flap or page sticker prompts to avoid letter reversal e.g. b and d.
- Create a bookmark for spellings taught.
- Use scribes adults or pupils or speech to text dictation software.
- Use alternative ways to record understanding when the learning objective is not to write or spell.

Don'ts

Cause the pupil to feel different or separate from their peers.

Other information/ Update end of Year