

Dyspraxia Matters: Children

Knowing your child better

As a parent, it can feel very frustrating when you see that your child is struggling with academics or extracurricular activities. You want to offer support, but don't quite know where to start. This session will take a look at the most common neurodivergent experience and how it manifests in our children. We will understand how they are classified as well as what to look out for to see if the diagnosis is necessary. We will look at practical adjustments that can be made to offer support for learning and understand what the diagnostic pathway will look like. We will talk about effectively advocating as a parent. Finally, we will focus on how lucky your child is to have a superpower and how it will benefit them in the world to have a brain that sees and learns differently.

Session Outline

- Understanding Diagnostic Criteria
- What to Look Out For
- Practical Interventions
- The Diagnostic Journey
- Being Neurodivergent Affirmative
- Neurodivergent Superpowers!!
- Useful websites and resources

Session Includes

- Personal attention and feedback in an informal atmosphere
- An invaluable booklet complete with information covered on the session
- Open forum to ask questions

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Gwen has an MSc in Occupational Psychology focusing on Workplace Wellbeing. She is a trained psychotherapist, relationship therapist and coach working with people all over the world to reduce anxiety and have happier, healthier lives. Gwen has worked with Educating Matters for 8 years speaking about DEI and Wellbeing. She studied Psychology at the University of Utah and then trained to become a teacher in Special Education, working with children with severe behavioural disorders, autism and the at risk population. She has trained many educators on behaviour management and cultural awareness. Gwen has taught in the USA and the UK. A mother of 4, she is very active in her children's schools. Political activism has always played a strong role in her life in causes such as: LGBT marriage rights, Animal Conservation, and Rock the Vote.