

# Aspire2inspire Dyslexia CIC 'Unlocking your full potential'

### Voluntary Sector Forum

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Diagnosed with Dyslexia, Dyspraxia and Irlen Syndrome, Elizabeth set up this charitable (not for profit) organisation in 2016 after identifying a gap in services to support adults with dyslexia who want to start their own business, go back to further education or improve their employability skills.

Due to parent requests, A2i Dyslexia offered children services from January 2017, such as dyslexia assessment, support with one to one numeracy and literacy, reading club and much more.

### A2i Dyslexia services

**Dyslexia Awareness** Dyslexia Assessment **Irlen Screening** Information and help for Dyslexics **Enterprise Start up Employability Skills One to One Support Adult Returning to Education** Learning Coping Mechanism Help with Low Self-esteem Talks from Inspirational Dyslexics **Children Services** + much more

#### WHAT IS DYSLEXIA?

# Dyslexia is a learning difference, a combination of strengths and weaknesses which affects reading, spelling, writing and sometimes numeracy.



# **National Statistics**

One in every 10 to 20 people in the UK are living with dyslexia according to the NHS.

4/10 unemployed people using job centre plus are dyslexic, according to Baroness Walmsley (House of Lords June 2012).

10% of the people of the population are dyslexic, 4% severely so.

Dyslexia is identified as a disability as defined in the equality act 2010.

www.drivveryouthtrust.com

According Guardian newspaper 2015 statistics shows 20% of British entrepreneurs are dyslexic

https://www.theguardian.com/small-business-network/2015/jan/15/dyslexicentrepreneurs-competitive-edge-business-leaders

# UK Prison – Dyslexia Statistics

John Rack's (2005) research for the Dyslexia Institute in eight prisons in Yorkshire and Humberside.

Rack found that 40 – 50% of prisoners were at or below the level of literacy and numeracy expected of an 11-year old (Level 1), 40% of whom required specialist support for dyslexia.

http://www.prisonreformtrust.org.uk/uploads/documents/noknl.pdf

# Dyslexia Research



1 in 10 people are dyslexic to some degree

• Continuum – from mild to severe; about 4% will require future specialist intervention

• Genetic – around 10% of the population carry the gene that is linked to dyslexia; strong familial link

• Recent research would indicate that about the same number of males and females are affected

#### Wandsworth Local Grants current projects

**DYSLEXIA** 

A2i A2i Dyslexia course

#### MEMORY TECHNIQUES A TOOL-BOX FOR SUCCESSFUL LIVING WITH DYSLEXIA

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Course dates: 11.00-12.30 on Friday 28th April. 5th May, 12th, 26th

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#### SELF ESTEEM AND CONFIDENCE **BUILDING COURSE FOR ADULT DYSLEXICS**



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Certificate awarded at completion of course

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Course dates: 11.00 - 1pm on Mon 8th, 15th & 22nd May than Mon 5th June For all other donations please visit: https://www.sofandme.com/p









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#### **EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS WORKSHOP**

# Are you Dyslexic, Dyspraxic, Dyscalculic, have Irlen Syndrome or any other specific learning difficulties?



## Inspirational speaker's event 2017

#### A21 INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER'S EVENT

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Assisted Technology Specialist Harry diagnosed with dyslaxia, Louise Brown parent

#### Unlocking your full potential

Aspire2inspire Dyslexia CIC is a charitable organisation based in Wandsworth, bringing awareness of Dyslexia within the community and encouraging entrepreneurship amongst Dyslexics. We support dyslexic adults who want to return to education, apprenticeships, self-employment and we also offer employability skills. Children services are also available.



HOST: ELIZABETH KWARTENG-AMANING Founder & CEO of A2i Dyselxia

14th September 2017 6pm - 9pm Caius House 2 Holman Road, Battersea, SW11 3RL Landmark: The Big Yellow Self Storage

Cost of the event: £15 includes food and refreshments, children ages 7-17 free

Book your tickets via eventbrite











Inspiring creative young people with Dyslexie & Specific Learning difficultie

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MARGARET HURLEY Foundar of Original Organics & Chef

Director of Equilibrium Mediation Consulting

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JOANNA SMITH

HARRY & LOUISE



### Free Dyslexia Support group





### Free 1 hour one to one consultation with parent/guardian and child

#### Arts and crafts workshops

Harry Brown 5K run

Starting October 2017 – homework club





### Dyslexia Awareness month events – October 2017

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### Useful links

ww.a2idyslexia.org.uk

http://irlen.com/what-is-irlen-syndrome

www.drivveryouthtrust.com

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