



Northumberland
County Council

Speech, Language and Communication Service



Elklan E-Learning Accredited Training Speech and Language support for 5 to 11 year olds

This evidence-based Speech and Language Support for 5 – 11s is a highly successful externally accredited training course which equips staff to develop key communication skills in children.

The training course will:

- Build your confidence and skills to support the communication and learning development of ALL children aged 5-11's years but especially those with speech and language difficulties.
- Give you practical advice and strategies to support parents and families with whom you work.
- Provide settings with a highly skilled workforce to help narrow the gap and improve the life chances of young children
- Give you an externally verified and accredited level 2 or 3 award.
- This course is also suitable for supporting children learning English as an additional language and other special education needs.

What does the E-Learning Course Involve?

The Elklan E-Learning course consists of four elements:

- Access to 10 interactive modules, completed fortnightly in the learner's own time via the Elklan website.
- Following each e-learning interactive session delegates need to complete a pre activity before participating in each of the 10 live fortnightly webinars with a member of the Speech and Language team who is a licensed tutor.

These webinars enhance the learning by enabling participants to ask the Tutor questions, stimulating discussion and the sharing of ideas with fellow learners, replicating the real value of a face-to-face course through an online format.

- The Learning Log, completed throughout the course to gain accreditation. There is a time commitment involved to completing activities with pupils and evaluating practice.
- The e-book edition of Language Builders, accessed through the Learners' Area of the website.

Webinar sessions will be delivered fortnightly online starting in January 2024.

Session dates and times:

- Session 1: Wednesday 15th January 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 2: Wednesday 29th January 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 3: Wednesday 12th February 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 4: Wednesday 5th March 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 5: Wednesday 19th March 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 6: Wednesday 2nd April 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 7: Wednesday 30th April 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 8: Wednesday 14th May 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 9: Wednesday 4th June 2025 1:30-2:30pm
- Session 10: Wednesday 18th June 2025 1:30-2:30pm
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The course will cover the following areas:

- What is communication?
- Non-verbal communication, developing listening and attention skills
- Memory and independent learning
- Modifying adults' speech to help a child's understanding language
- Understanding beyond simple sentences and Blank
- Promoting vocabulary development
- Encouraging expressive language and narrative development
- Promoting effective interaction and communication skills
- Supporting children with unclear speech, and exploring the link between speech, reading and writing
- Management of stammering and other issues raised in the course

How much does it cost?

This training package will be charged at £145.00 per learner.

The course cost covers:

- Elklan's e-learning teaching materials,
- an Elklan e-book
- accreditation with OCN London at either Level 2 or 3.

Delivery of the webinars and marking of portfolios are provided at no extra cost from the Speech, Language and Communication Service.

There is a limited number of places available so book your place now by emailing:

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