



Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association

Opening doors for dyslexics since 1989

Our Vision

Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association commonly known as WFDA is committed to sending out a lifeline to people with dyslexia who often have nowhere else to turn. Our vision is that we will live in a dyslexic friendly society that enables dyslexic people of all ages to reach their full potential.

Our Aim

To support the needs of dyslexic children, young people and adults by providing an accessible, affordable, quality service run by appropriately trained staff. Also, to advance the education of dyslexic people of all ages to help them to improve their confidence, independence and well-being.

What we Offer

- **Classes** for primary and secondary children which are held at Frederick Bremer School: all our tutors have a qualification as a specialist teacher and there are small class sizes (usually two pupils).
- **Specialist teacher support in mainstream schools:** We can provide an in-school package whereby tutors provide: one to one/two to one lessons for pupils who are recognised as having dyslexia or dyspraxia, provide WFDA Assessments to gauge pupil progress & liaise with class teachers & parents if required.
- **Training in schools** – this would be discussed with each school as to their requirements.
- **Screenings** for primary and secondary children as well as adults.
- **Summer Transition Club** for children in Year 6 going into Year 7 – the main purpose of this club is to build confidence and allay worries about this important transition.
- **Classes for adults** – one class is for adults with limited literacy skills; the other class is based around working life and looks at issues in the workplace.
- **Support group for adults** – the last Wednesday of every month. At these meetings there is usually a speaker but there is always time to share issues and ideas.
- **Helpline:** 07590 824 970 (Adult queries) 07713 165017. Anyone who has worries about dyslexia can ring one of these numbers and receive support.
- A **website** which gives information: <https://www.wfda.org.uk/>

Who to contact:

For classes and screenings please contact Karen Sparkes the class coordinator on: 07852 232509 or wfdaco-ordinator@outlook.com

For any other information please contact Lois Hood (Chair of Trustees) on 07815800629 or loishood@hotmail.co.uk