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Developmental Language Disorder Awareness Day was held on Friday 20 October 2023!

On average 2 students in every class of 30 have a neurodevelopmental condition called Developmental Language Disorder or DLD. The theme for #DLDday 2023 is DLD Around the World!

What is Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)?

You've probably heard about autism and dyslexia but how about Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)? With 1 in 14 people having DLD, it is time we talk more about this hidden but common lifelong condition.

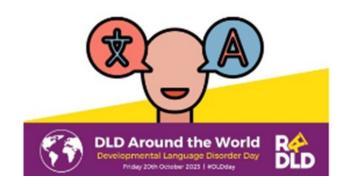
DLD causes difficulties with speaking and understanding for no known reason. There are serious and long-term impacts, as it puts children at greater risk of failing at school and struggling with mental health and future employment. The biggest challenge with DLD is you can't tell by looking at a person that they have DLD and therefore, DLD individuals often get overlooked for support.

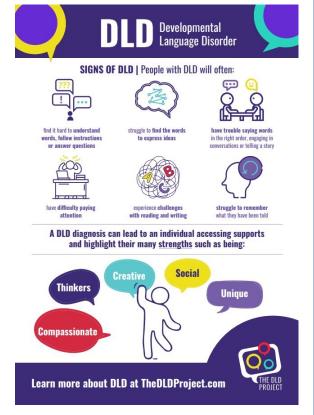
People with Developmental Language Disorder can be as different as you and I. However, it is important to know that with the right support, DLD individuals can thrive!

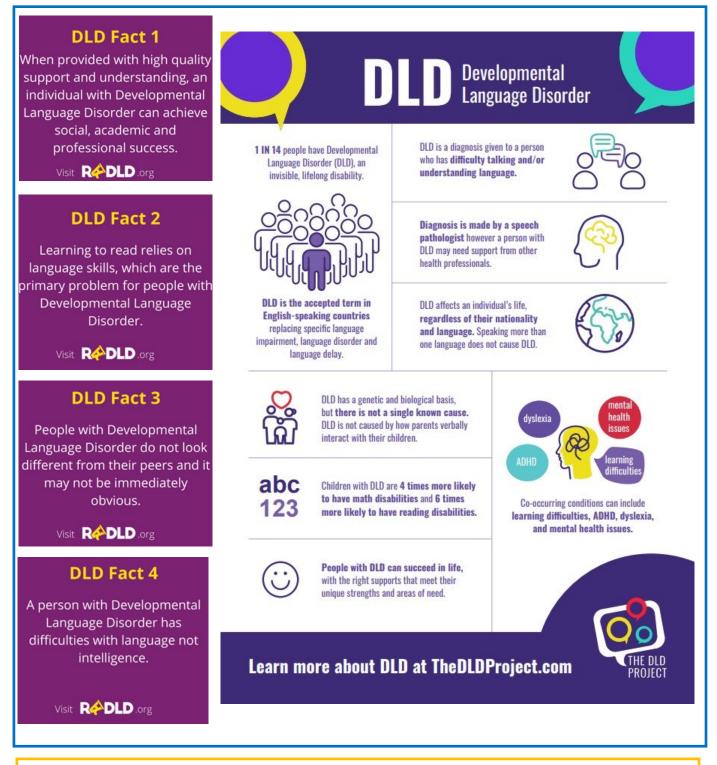
People with DLD are as intelligent as their peers, but may experience difficulties with:

- understanding instructions
- answering questions
- learning new words
- putting words together to speak in sentences
- reading
- writing sentences
- playing with others

Speaking more than one language does not cause DLD.







The Schools SEND information report can be found at :

https://www.oakleyvaleprimary.org/page/?title=Equalities%2FSEND&pid=49

The Local Offer can be found at:

https://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-familieseducation/send/local-offer/Pages/default.aspx

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