



Special Educational Needs Policy

Speak Like A Native welcomes all children regardless of any special educational needs, disability, or behavioural difficulties to attend and fully participate in our language programmes. We have a continued commitment to liaising and communicating with the local authorities and other relevant outside agencies. We do this to ensure all our procedures are in line with the current Department of Education guidelines, which enable early identification and allow us to provide the best possible experience for all children in our care.

We make our facilities and settings as accessible as we possibly can (based on the room / space schools make available to us or the setting for our “at home” service).

Each child identified with special educational needs will have his or her needs met. Children’s progress is monitored and reviewed regularly and care plans can be organised between the parents and a company manager. We are more than happy for any child to attend Speak Like A Native language programmes. We cannot however offer 1:1 supervision unless a special request is made prior to the commencement of the course and for a charge. Any child who needs 1:1 supervision is still welcome to attend our programmes, on condition that they bring along their own carer. That carer must have a current and clear enhanced Disclosure Baring Service (DBS) check and to complete Speak Like A Native’s own vetting process requiring originals of ID, proof of address and references.

If we feel that a child within our care does need some further attention regarding their educational needs and their parent or guardian has not previously identified this to us, then we will ensure that this is discussed with their parent or guardian at the earliest possible convenience. Any matter of this nature will be treated in the strictest of confidence. Speak Like A Native’s ‘Special Educational Needs Statement’ shall be updated if there are any additions or changes to the current legislation. We shall ensure that we are aware of the current legislation by liaising with the appropriate agencies such as the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership (EYDCP). Our Head Office Team are available to discuss anything within our statement and will offer all the help they can to ensure your child is able to join and enjoy one of our language programmes.