

What they say.....

The best course I have attended for years.

Excellent informative course and very interesting.

The Chatterbag is great and I now have lots of ideas to use in my setting

I can't wait for next week!

Coming soon.....

All Talk Now training:

6th,13th,20th November 2008

21st January 2009

26th March 2009

5th,12th,19th May 2009

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www.talktoyourbaby.org.uk

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www.stokespeaksout.org

www.bookstart.co.uk

www.standards.gov.uk/eyfs

All Talk Now



An Interagency
Programme to Promote
Young Children's Language
and Communication Skills

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Did you know that

- Over half of all 5 year olds run the risk of social exclusion and academic failure in later life because of poor language skills
- Children with poor language skills are more likely to suffer from mental health problems in later life
- A third of young offenders have only basic speaking and listening skills
- 60% of teachers say they lack confidence in their ability to meet children's language needs
- Early years staff feel ill equipped to address communication problems

From the I Can report

'The Cost to the Nation of Children's Communication'

October 2006

Talking to young children helps them become good communicators, which is essential if they are to do well at school and lead happy and fulfilled lives.

(The Talk to Your Baby Campaign)

All Talk Now

- Promotes the importance of supporting all children's language and communication skills
- Provides advice and information on how to support children with normal development, language delay and language difficulties
- Gives participants access to a wide range of resources including chatter bags and a library of books

The course consists of 3 units, delivered over 3 evenings or 1 full day.



The course aims

- To give practitioners an overview of the normal development of communication and language from birth to 5 years.
- To give practical suggestions on how to develop and monitor the speech and communication skills of all children in their care.
- To help practitioners to recognise common speech and communication difficulties.

Session 1 - Normal development

This includes the make up of language:-

The 'language development iceberg' - attention and listening; exploration and play; understanding of language; use of language; pronunciation.

Speech sound development - usual ages for sounds; what mistakes are acceptable.

Key word level - one/two/three word level

Normal development of speech and language -

6 months/ 1 year/ 18months / 2 years/ 3years/ 4years/ 5 years.

All participants are given copies of the I Can poster and some brochures produced by the PCT.

Session 2 - Helping speech and language develop

Strategies to help language develop - Top 10 tips for talking (laminated sheet)

Practical activities using chatterbag (yellow 'All Talk Now' bag with 6/7 items included. All participants are given a chatterbag, talking tips sheet, Mr Tongue (activity booklet from SaLT team), Talk to Your Baby website info.

Session 3 - Advice for supporting particular needs and some case studies.

Glue ear, stammering, EAL

Case studies of when and how to refer children

Initial support plans, talking to parents, writing a referral, what a SaLT report looks like.