



Cognition & Learning Motor and Sensory Team

Who are we?

Our multi-disciplinary Cognition and Learning, Motor and Sensory Team consists of highly experienced Advisory Inclusion Teachers, an Occupational Therapist, a Specialist Educational Psychologist, an Assistant Psychologist, Senior Support Workers and a Senior Specialist Educational Psychologist with Strategic Lead for Cognition and Learning.

What do we do?

Our team can offer a range of support for educational settings, families and children and young people (CYP) to ensure pupils with special educational needs feel included and valued as well as developing their independent skills.

We can provide support in the following areas

- Specific Learning Difficulties
- General Learning Needs
- Maths Difficulties
- Down Syndrome
- Foundation Stage Concerns
- Sensory Preferences
- Memory and Processing
- Makaton
- Assistive Technology
- Physical Difficulties
- Fine Motor
- Gross Motor
- Handwriting Difficulties.



What support do we offer

Schools can refer directly to our team for advice, assessment and support for individual or groups of pupils. The degree of involvement ranges from a single consultation to more detailed individual assessment and discussion with staff and parents relating to outcomes and interventions. Please contact your Communities of Learning (CoL) Lead for more information on the menu of options.

New options

Cognition Clinic: Individual pupil input and record

A 30 minute Solution Focused Meeting with staff to discuss individual pupil's needs and formulate next steps in learning.

This includes a short, written record.

Cognitive Online Consultation: Individual pupil input and record

A 45 minute Solution Focused online meeting with staff and parents/ carers to discuss a pupil's needs and next steps in learning. This includes a short, written record.

Training and Bespoke Support

Training and bespoke support is also available from introductory to more advanced levels across a range of topics. We can tailor training to meet the needs of your school.

How can you contact our team?

Team Leader: Anne-Marie Ollivere

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What do people say about our team?



Great training session with an abundance of strategies to use within the classroom.



I value the strong links that we have established over time and the advice, support and recommendations from advisory teachers.



The Cognition and Learning Team are my 'go to' professionals when trying to unlock barriers to learning.



The members of the team genuinely care about making a difference.



The pupil was absolutely the priority, they were immediately put at ease and their voice was captured throughout.