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LETS Go! Research Psychologist

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Background:



Kelly is a research psychologist who specialises in reading and language development. In 2009 Kelly joined DSEI, focusing her work on the Reading and language Intervention for children with Down syndrome (published by DSEI). Kelly has delivered a number of LETS Go! services including the Specialist Outreach Support service and Communication Groups for pupils in primary school. Kelly continues to work with LETS Go! on a number of research and education projects.

Kelly provides assessments, training and support for school age children with Down syndrome. She also provides training on a wide range of educational issues for children of all ages.

Dr Kelly Burgoyne was awarded a first class BSc (Hons) degree in Psychology from the University of Central Lancashire in 2003 and later received her PhD from the same institution in 2007 for a doctoral thesis entitled The Comprehension Skills of Children Learning English as an Additional Language.

Kelly has enjoyed a successful research career and has published many scientific research articles and articles for practitioners. Following her PhD, Kelly worked alongside Professor Sue Buckley at Down Syndrome Education International (DSEI) from January 2009 to December 2012. Here she played a significant role in the development and evaluation of the new Reading and Language Intervention for children with Down syndrome, published by DSEI in 2012 (see http://www.dseinternational.org/engb/resources/teaching/rli/). In her time at DSEI, Kelly also developed and evaluated an intervention to support phonic reading skills in children with Down syndrome and worked with researchers at the University of Leeds to develop and evaluate an intervention to support comprehension skills in this group of children.

Kelly moved to University College London in 2012 to work alongside Professor Charles Hulme, a world-recognised expert in reading and language and in 2016 became senior research fellow in his group at Australian Catholic University in Brisbane, Australia. Due to increasing demand, Kelly returned to the UK in April 2017 to focus on her consultancy work.

Kelly has considerable experience in directly supporting children with Down syndrome, and has worked closely with a large number of children, their educators and their parents. Kelly has particular insight and experience in supporting the development of reading and language for children with Down syndrome in the classroom having trained, observed and supported many teaching assistants delivering Reading and Language Intervention. In addition, she has experience of a wide range of issues in the classroom that may affect children's learning experiences and in providing support and advice to educators to better meet children's needs.

She has expertise in conducting observations and assessments with children to identify their current level of ability and appropriate teaching targets to continue progress. Kelly has developed teaching materials to meet particular needs and provided support and guidance to those teaching children to enable them to most effectively deliver teaching, including advice on behaviour, attention and motivation, differentiation of learning materials, and delivery of teaching. She has extensive experience in tailoring teaching to meet individual strengths and weaknesses, working with a large range of children with differing abilities and needs. Kelly also has extensive experience in writing and

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	delivering training on a range of educational issues both in the UK and abroad for parents and educators working with children with Down syndrome.
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