

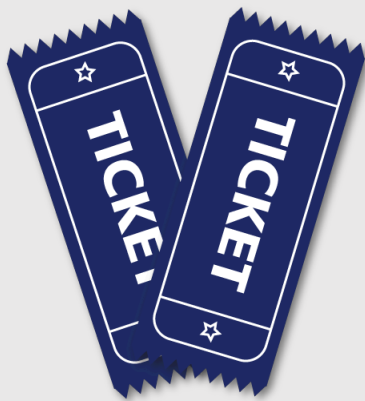


Hello and welcome to an exciting and event-packed month.

The days are counting down to The Link Live Speech & Language Day so now's a great time to secure your place.

Also, this month, the team at SENSible SENCO is producing their first-ever legal conference and our own Speech & Language Link events team is nearing the end of their extremely busy events calendar – catch up with us at The IGPP event in London on 26th November and the Surrey SEND conference on the 28th.

Only one week to go until The Link Live!



Don't worry there's still time to get your free ticket for the day!

Along with our 8 exciting presentations, the event is a fantastic opportunity to network with other SENCOs, teachers, support staff and students, across the UK and overseas, who want the best advice and information to help them support SLCN in their school – people just like you!

[Get your free ticket here](#)

Speech and Language News

The Education Policy Institute report raises questions about the effectiveness of the phonics screening check for Year 1 students, stating there is "no evidence" that it significantly improves reading outcomes.

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This isn't just a legal seminar—it's a day designed around the practical realities you face. SENSible SENCO cover the essentials, like **funding clarity** and **EHCP timelines**, in a way that translates to real, everyday situations. And because we know the impact of visual tools, we're even including a session on using interactive

boards to support SEN students, giving you hands-on strategies to bring back to your classrooms.

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Why raising awareness of selective mutism is needed, along with increased training in schools.

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There has been no progress in closing the gap between low-income and wealthier families, as rising poverty and decreasing funding for core functions continue to be significant factors.

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Gary Aubin advocates for bold reforms and outlines five steps to enhance inclusion within mainstream settings.

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Listen to the latest *Headteacher Update* podcast, which explores strategies and insights for teaching oracy in primary schools.

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Who should be on your SEN register?

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Part 1 of Matt Bromley's 5 series on how to create a questioning classroom.

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We now have 6000K+ subscribers to The Link Community newsletter – thank you for being one of them.

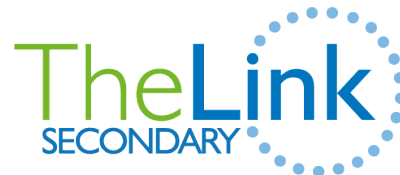
Did you know that The Link Community also offers a free resource hub packed with speech and language support resources, our SLCN handbook, videos and much much more?

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Plus.... If you like to chat and network with other education professionals, then our community Facebook group is where you need to be. A safe space moderated by speech and language therapists, our Link Community members can ask questions, share resources and find out the latest CPD offerings from Speech & Language Link.



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Issue 4 of The Link Secondary is in your school now! Packed with speech and language support advice and information from the Speech & Language Link team and guest contributors to help you support the vital skills that form the building blocks of oracy.

[Read it here](#)

Our blogs



Paul Strout, managing director of GDPR Assist, reminds schools of their obligations under UK GDPR to do their due diligence.

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Speech and language therapists are often known for their arrival at a school, carrying an unwieldy bag full of assessments and resources. With this magical bag, they are armed with the tools to assess and provide intervention for a wide range of children. How do they do this?

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