

EWING FOUNDATION

for deaf children

News

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Supporting deaf children and young people at school

Would you like to help deaf children and young people to learn and achieve at school?

The British Association of Teachers of the Deaf is offering five scholarships for teachers to train to become Qualified Teachers of the Deaf (QToDs).

The Con Powell Memorial Scholarships, named after BATOD's first President and Ewing Foundation's first Chief Executive Officer, are aimed at teachers whose Local Authority or school is not obliged to support them financially.

Scholars will also be supported in their studies by our Ewing Foundation team of audiology and deaf education specialists.

This year's scholarships, which are funded by our partner Ovingdean Hall Foundation, are open until 30 April 2020. They re-open in January 2021. Find out more:

www.batod.org.uk/information/training-as-a-teacher-of-the-deaf



GLADE for professionals

Our work is about reducing the isolation that deafness can bring, not just to deaf children and young people, but to the professionals who support them.

Qualified Teachers of the Deaf (QToDs) are often the only deaf-specialists in their school, while peripatetic QToDs move from setting to setting.

GLADE (Greater London Affiliation for Deaf Education) is our networking group for professionals working in the wider London area. Our annual conference last November included speakers from City, University of London and The University of Birmingham sharing their research, along with a choice of workshops offering practical strategies.



A workshop and presentation at GLADE

'Brilliant and inspiring as always,' said one delegate. Termly meetings, when hot issues are shared in confidence, are part of the affiliation package. Please contact Joyce Sewell-Rutter on joycesr@ewing-foundation.org.uk to find out more.

Practical skills for the classroom

In early 2020, we took part in two training events in The City of Birmingham.

We supported trainee Teachers of the Deaf on the University of Birmingham's Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Special Education – Hearing Impairment).

Our team supported an intense week-long residential course, presenting on educational strategies and showing students how to test hearing aids and set up radio aids in test boxes.

We also held our popular one-day 'refresher' at The Midland Hearing Implant Centre.

The hands-on workshop focused on setting up radio aid systems and cochlear implant processors. Watch out for our 2021 date!

Our training is designed to help teachers to manage the day-to-day audiology issues they encounter in the classroom.



Supporting trainee Teachers of the Deaf at The University of Birmingham

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Deafness and Autism

Our networking Special Interest Group (SIG) into deafness and autism met last November in York for a training event.

The day focused on how to recognise autism in deaf children presented by Dr Barry Wright, and some strategies to assist interaction and everyday living and learning through the use of social stories.

The SIG is a collaboration between BATOD and our Burwood Park Foundation, and is aimed at raising awareness of the dual diagnosis, and supporting professionals who work with deaf children who are on the autistic spectrum.

Our next event is in London on **April 23, 2020**.

Please contact Joyce on burwood@ewing-foundation.org.uk to find out more.



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