

# Autism workshop in January

On 17 January 2014, Steps to Inclusion are holding a CPD/training workshop in central Edinburgh – Supporting Pupils with Autism Spectrum Conditions. The workshop is aimed at school, nursery and playgroup staff as well as students whose future will involve working with children.

Steps to Inclusion is a not-for-profit social enterprise who raise awareness of Autism Spectrum Conditions and Dyslexia via pupil workshops in both primary and secondary schools, staff training in schools, nurseries and playgroups and through the development of educational resources.

Plans are underway to develop workshops in the workplace for businesses as well as a holiday club for children with additional support needs and a club for their siblings.

Kirsten Duncan and Caroline Bingham are the founders of Steps to Inclusion. Both are experienced teachers, who have worked in a wide-range of settings including support for learning, outreach, special and mainstream education. In addition to teaching, they are also parents of children with additional support needs and so are fortunate in having a more holistic viewpoint to form a basis for their workshops and training resources.

They have set up links with the main Autism and Dyslexia charities in Scotland and have been involved in interviewing young Autistic and Dyslexic adults to gain firsthand accounts of their school lives. This has helped inform their workshops and training even further.

If you would like to book on, or find out more about, the CPD/training workshop Supporting Pupils with Autism Spectrum Conditions in Edinburgh on 17th January, you can do so via the following link:

<http://stepstoinclusion.eventbrite.com/>

More information regarding the course and about Steps to Inclusion, in general, can be found on their website:

<http://www.stepstoinclusion.com>

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