

# SEND NEWS SPLASH

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## Introducing Ryan



This week's News Splash is written by Ryan, who is an Adult Community Learning (ACL) Trainee. Ryan is working with the SEND Service and helping to review the Local Offer. He will be with us until March 31st where he is gaining experience of the world of work.

Thank you Ryan for writing this week's newsletter and hope you all enjoy it.

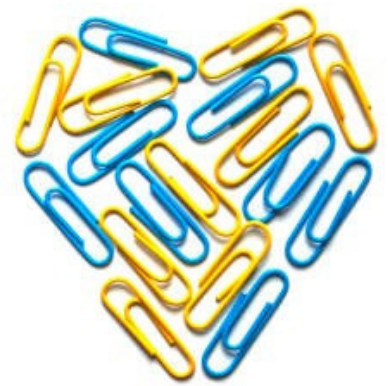
## World Storytelling Day 2023

World Storytelling Day will be taking place on the 20th of March 2023.

The theme for World Storytelling Day is "Together We Can." Storytellers felt this year should be about telling stories that bring people from all around the world together.

You can celebrate this World Storytelling Day by visiting the [Swindon Stories](#) website.

# WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY



World Down's Syndrome Day is to take place on the 21st of March 2023.

The aim of World Down's Syndrome Day is to help create a positive impact for those with Down Syndrome and to support these individuals around the world.

What is Down's Syndrome? Down's Syndrome is when you are born with an extra chromosome. This happens by chance due to a change in sperm or egg before birth.

The theme on World Down's Syndrome Day 2023 is "With Us Not For Us" and seeks to give people with Down's Syndrome a voice, so that they may become a contributing force in society.

The day is also to raise awareness, that throughout the world those with Down Syndrome and are less likely to get a quality education, good health care, and the opportunity to work and earn their own money. Those with Down Syndrome are often overlooked.

To get more information visit the [Swindon Local Offer and the Swindon Down's Syndrome Group page](#).

To learn more and get yourself involved visit the [World Down Syndrome Day page](#).

## Contact the SEND Service

To speak to a member of the SEND Service, please call 01793 464641 and we will answer your query in 48-96 hours.

Telephone lines are open Monday to Thursday 8am-5pm and 8am-4:30pm on Friday. Alternatively, you can email [SENDSERVICE@SWINDON.GOV.UK](mailto:SENDSERVICE@SWINDON.GOV.UK).

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