

NORTH EAST METROPOLITAN LDC OUTREACH SERVICE LANGUAGE LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS SERIES 2024

COURSE OVERVIEW

The Language Leadership Schools Series (LLSS) is designed specifically for educators working from Kindergarten to Year 2 (though those working with SAER students in Y3+ also benefit) – classroom teachers, Deputy Principals, Literacy Leaders, SAER Coordinators and Curriculum Leaders. The series will enhance participants' knowledge of oral language and the foundations of literacy, assessment, analysis and intervention strategies. Participants attending the LLSS must work within either the North East Metro or Wheatbelt Education District.

COURSE AIMS & STRUCTURE

This series consists of 6 full days of professional learning spread across the year. Throughout the year participants take part in action research supported by the Outreach Team. This will include developing a SMART goal in relation to school priorities, creating and implementing an action plan, collecting and analysing data and reporting on outcomes.

A school service agreement is developed collaboratively with the Outreach Service and the school which aims to support the specific needs of the Key Leader/s and their respective school. This may include intervention support and professional learning sessions

CONTENT & SESSION DATES

The LLSS is structured to include a balance between practice, theory, networking, action research, and collaboration. The 6 sessions will enhance and extend participants' knowledge of best practice assessment, instructional and intervention approaches with a focus on Kindergarten to Year 2. The full day sessions (8.30am-4.00pm) will cover the following:

Term	Week	Date (2024)	Topic
1	4	Thursday 22 nd Feb	Session 1: Introduction to Oral Language Development & Difficulties
	4	Friday 23 rd Feb	Session 2: Phonological Awareness and Phonics
2	1	Friday 19 th April	Session 3: Oral Text Structure
	5	Friday 17 th May	Session 4: Grammar
	9	Friday 14 th June	Session 5: Vocabulary and Semantics
4	8	Friday 29 th Nov	Session 6: Action Research Sharing

Participants' leadership skills will be developed throughout the duration of the course, building their capacity to support speech and language development within their schools and ensure effective implementation of intervention.

By enrolling in the Language Leadership School Series, participants commit to: participating in action research in their school, meeting face to face with their Outreach Support Officer once per term and meeting with their principal about their action research in terms 1 and 3. By allowing staff to register for the Language Leadership School Series school admin agree to: support their staff in conducting action research and meeting with their enrolled staff member (and possibly their Support Officer) regarding the participant's action research in terms 1 and 3.

COST & REGISTRATION

\$500

Participants will receive a professional learning file, with professional readings, program handouts and a comprehensive resource USB. Schools can register for the series at the following link: <https://plis.education.wa.edu.au/?EventID=57477>

