

Does a child in your school...

- have **language difficulties**?
- struggle to **read and spell**?
- have trouble **interacting with others**?

*Your school may benefit from accessing the*

# NEMLDC OUTREACH SERVICE




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The NEMLDC Outreach Service provides **professional learning support** to schools within the **North East Metropolitan** and **Wheatbelt Education Districts** in the areas of **oral language and the foundations of literacy for K-2 and primary school aged children with speech and language difficulties.**

Our office is located at the North East Metropolitan Language Development Centre, 18 View St, Dianella WA.

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***Every part of primary school life relies on an oral language foundation.***

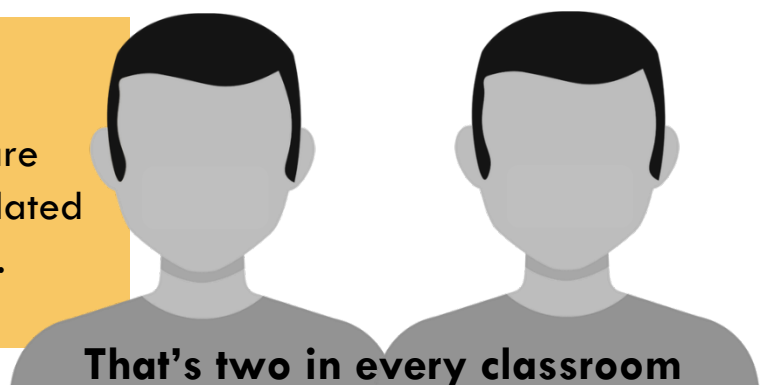
*Oral language development is as important as reading and writing in schooling and beyond.*

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**Oral language is a child's first and most effective communication method. It is the most important skillset for self-expression and for making sense of the world around us.**

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Approximately  
**38,000 WA young people** are estimated to have language related difficulties at any one time.



## WHO ARE WE?

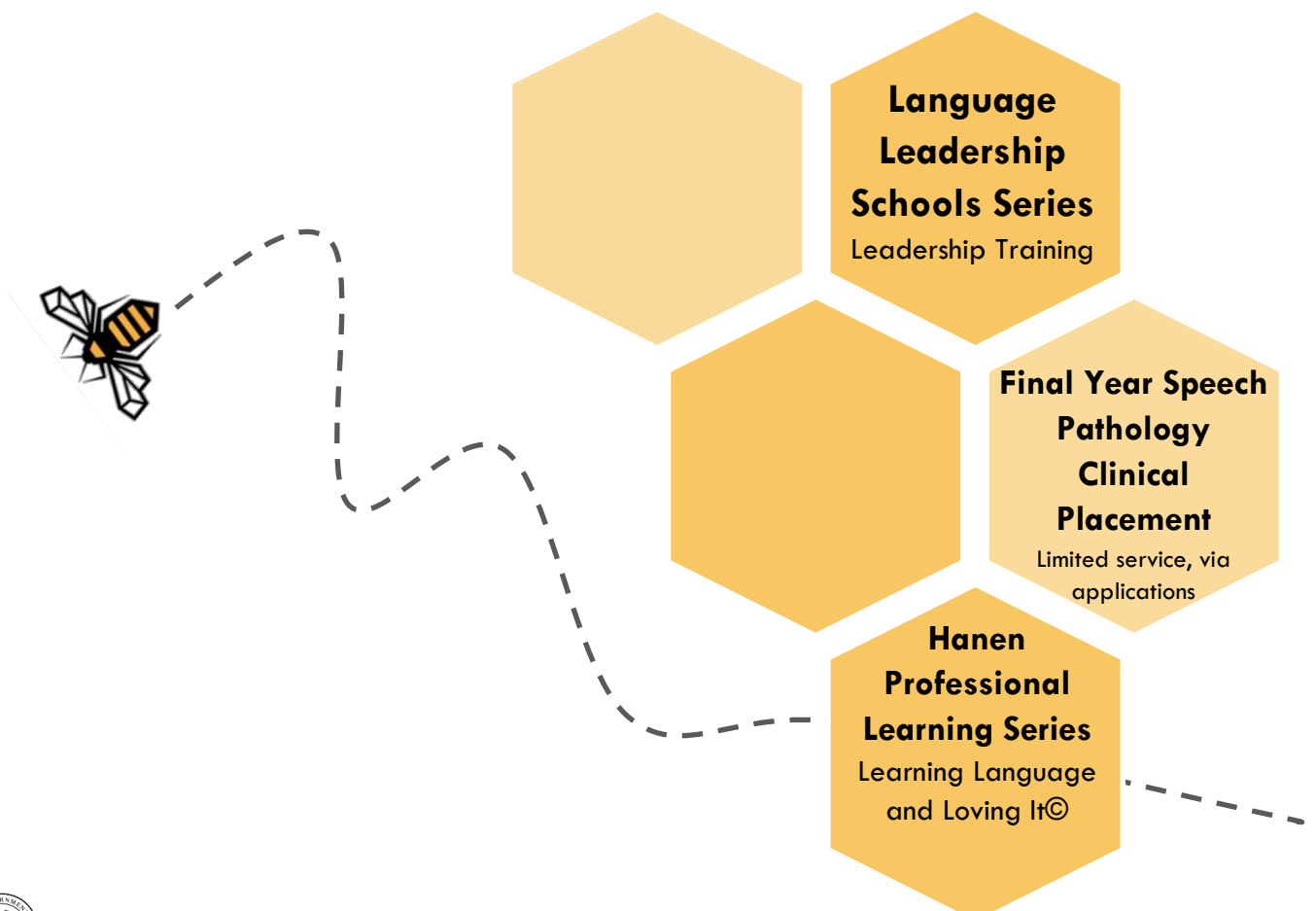
In Western Australia there are 5 Language Development Centres (LDC), each providing intensive oral language and literacy early intervention to children with speech and language difficulties. Each LDC has an attached Outreach Service (North East, West Coast, South East, Fremantle & Peel). The Outreach Services are the only free/low cost education-based public support for mainstream students with speech and language difficulties.

The NEMLDC Outreach Service provides support to the North East Metro and the Wheatbelt region. The Outreach Service consists of a team of 'Support Officers, Speech and Language.' A Support Officer can be either a speech pathologist or teacher with specialist knowledge and experience in language development, and the team is led by a Deputy Principal. The Outreach team collaborates closely with the Speech Pathology team at their LDC to ensure fidelity of service for transitioning students.

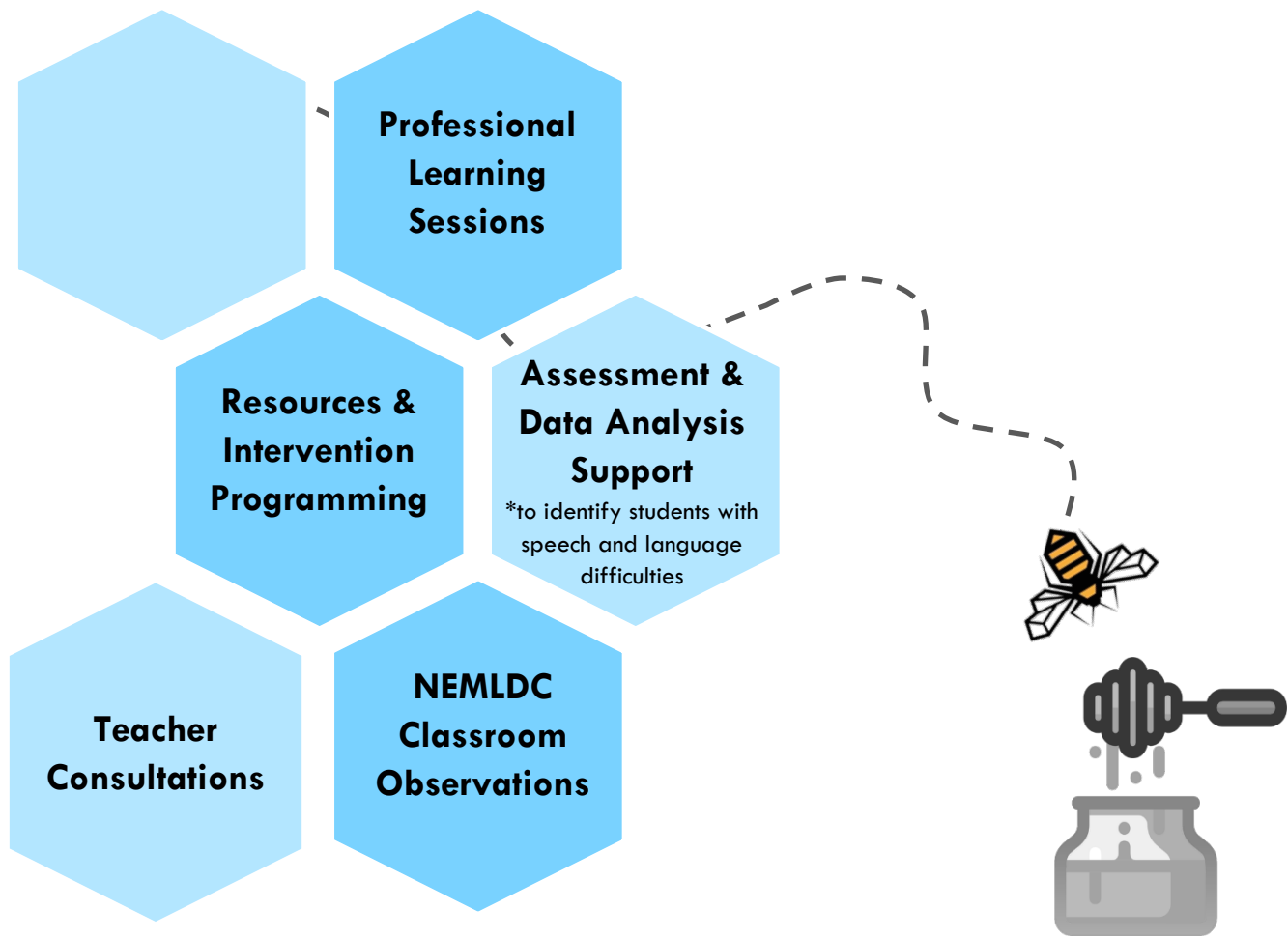
## WHAT DO WE DO?

The NEMLDC Outreach Service offers a range of services to schools to support them in implementing best practice oral language and foundations of literacy instruction to students with speech and language difficulties. If your child is attending a public school, they are eligible to have their teachers access services from the Outreach team.

## MOST SOUGHT AFTER, HIGH IMPACT SERVICES



## ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES



We have expert knowledge in the field of **oral language planning and programming** for **students with communication difficulties**, with particular focus on the **K-2 years**.

*This service is unique in the Education sphere and invaluable to students' learning and growth in the formative primary school years.*

## ACCESSING SUPPORT

If you are interested in your school accessing the above services,  
please get your Principal or Deputy Principal to:

**Call** us on (08) 9218 1600; **Email** us on [NorthEastMetro.LDC.Outreach@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:NorthEastMetro.LDC.Outreach@education.wa.edu.au)

**Check us out on the web:** <https://tinyurl.com/NEMLDCOutreach>

## ACCESSING A SCHOOL BASED SPEECH PATHOLOGIST

In addition to accessing the Outreach Services, schools can pay to have a **DOE speech pathologist onsite weekly** to support staff and students, through the **North Metro Speech Pathologists in Schools Pilot program**.

Find out more here: <http://northeastldc.wa.edu.au/about-the-pilot/>