



October 2023 Awareness Events

There are awareness events during October that are relevant to people with communication and/or swallowing needs. Here are some resources to support you if you want to promote the role of speech and language therapy in these areas.

If you know of other awareness events, please let us know on elissa.cregan@rcslt.org

General resources

- @includeorg, @givingvoicelds, @AphasiaChoir #OneWorldOfCommunication video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=l-rt9liR3ao>
- @StephFBurgess #SpeakUpForCommunication poem:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8FdpybHUnFw>

Rett Syndrome Awareness Month

@RCSLT resources:

- #GVTwitterTakeover:
<https://wakelet.com/i/invite?code=yu1e2v1x>

Selective Mutism Awareness Month

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/selective-mutism>
- #GVTwitterTakeover:
<https://wakelet.com/i/invite?code=sep3a60b>

#SelectiveMutism

ADHD Awareness Month

#ADHDAwareness

AAC Awareness Month

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/augmentative-and-alternative-communication>

#AAC

Celebrating the Bilingual Child Month

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/bilingualism>

2-8 October: Dyslexia Awareness Week

#DyslexiaAwarenessWeek

6 October: World Cerebral Palsy Day

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/motor-disorders/#section-1>

10-16 October: Dyspraxia Awareness Week

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/speech-sound-disorders/>

10 October: World Mental Health Day

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/social-emotional-and-mental-health>
- RCSLT factsheet on SEMH:
https://www.rcslt.org/-/media/docs/RCSLT_SEMH_A4_2019_Web_Singles.pdf?la=en&hash=1DDE04F06D86CCA9C3A4E537EEA96468A5632767
- RCSLT factsheet on CAMHS:
<https://www.rcslt.org/-/media/docs/RCSLTCYPMHSA4Digital.pdf?la=en&hash=ADEF0D30638C3E9623E151BC96FDD9BBCA532ADC>
- RCSLT factsheet on adult mental health:
https://www.rcslt.org/-/media/RCSLT_AMH_A4_4pp_DIGITAL_book.pdf?la=en&hash=03540FE01A51239BBD671A0F91C3CB3FE76A8253

10 October: World Homeless Day

- Resources produced by speech and language therapists:
https://homelesslink-1b54.kxcdn.com/media/documents/Communication_needs_and_homelessnes_final_1.pdf

14 October: AHPs Day

#AHPsDay

20 October: International DLD Awareness Day

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/developmental-language-disorder>
- RCSLT factsheet on DLD:
<https://www.rcslt.org/-/media/Project/RCSLT/rcslt-dld-factsheet.pdf>
- #GVTwitterTakeover by Ioan, a person with DLD, Imogen, his mother, and Lorraine Bamblett, a speech and language therapist:
https://wke.lt/w/s/x_dJ1b

#DLDDAY

20 October: World Evidence Based Health Care Day

#WorldEBHCDay

22 October: International Stammering Awareness Day

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/dysfluency>
- #GVTwitterTakeover by Paul O'Meara, a person who stammers:
<https://wke.lt/w/s/isPz6u>

29 October: World Stroke Day

@RCSLT resources:

- RCSLT clinical information:
<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/stroke>
- #GVTwitterTakeover by Kathy Cann, a speech and language therapist specialising in aphasia:
<https://wke.lt/w/s/l6TAOt>

28 October-4 November: International Brain Tumour Awareness Week