

Supporting Literacy through Transition from Primary to Secondary School

A Springboard for Children project supported by the Dyslexia-SpLD Trust

The project will achieve:

- ✓ Improved levels of literacy for tutored pupils.
- ✓ Improved Parent/Carer ability to support their children.
- ✓ Increased participation and improved skill levels of volunteers, including volunteers from the school community.
- ✔ Development of a sustainable model and increased access to high quality support.



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The Dyslexia-SpLD Trust

In 2011 through to 2013, the Trust will be supporting organisations which are:

- ✓ Undertaking projects that demonstrate best practice in supporting children and young people with dyslexia/specific learning difficulties.
- ✓ Expanding access to interventions of consistent quality and approach.
- ✓ Working to achieve greater long term sustainability through innovative approaches.

How it works

Springboard train volunteers to support children in primary schools, within areas of high deprivation, to improve their literacy skills and has a strong track record of success in areas of Manchester and London. Their existing model uses a mixture of qualified tutors, interns and part time volunteers. This project will enable Springboard to build on their existing good practice and develop a similar model, for pupils on transition from Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 3. A model will be developed, to ensure a consistent format and high quality provision, which can be made available to other schools therefore expanding access. The model will include:

- ✓ One to one tuition and mentoring delivered by qualified tutors and highly trained volunteers.
- ✓ Training and development of volunteers, including volunteers from within the secondary school community.
- ✓ Intervention sessions with parents/carers.
- ✓ Engagement of school personnel.
- ✓ Collaboration with other literacy focused charitable organisations and schools to share experience and effective practice.
- ✓ Introduction of a Peer Mentor system–Key Stage 4/5 'Buddying'.











