

LETS Go! Speech and Language Therapy Assistant

Name: Jo Munt	
Background:	Jo began working in mainstream primary schools in 2001, supporting pupils with a range of additional needs including Down syndrome, autism and a range of medical and physical needs. She achieved Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) in 2006 and her roles in primary school have included providing 1:1 support, covering whole classes and planning and delivering music to years three, five and six.
	Jo moved to working in secondary school in 2016 where her main role was supporting a pupil with Down syndrome. Jo worked staff across school to plan, prepare and deliver differentiated classwork across the curriculum ensuring successful inclusion throughout school. Jo liaised with professionals to facilitate staff training and regular drop in sessions for teachers new to working with a pupil who has Down syndrome. Jo has also completed an 'Oral Language Modifiers Course' to ensure the pupil was able to appropriately access examinations. This work culminated in the pupils transition to college having achieved 7 GCSEs.
	Jo continues to work in secondary school, supporting pupils with a range of additional needs. She delivers speech and language therapy programmes and literacy interventions to a range of students as well as providing in class support and 1:1 tuition for pupils studying GCSEs.
	Jo met the LETS Go! team in 2011 in her role supporting a pupil with Down syndrome. Since that time, Jo has attended many Down syndrome specific courses as well as a range of courses regarding speech, language and communication difficulties. Jo joined the LETS Go! team at the beginning of 2020 and as a Speech and Language Therapy Assistant and delivers the 16+ Communication Groups. These groups are for young adults with Down syndrome and focus on communication and social interaction
Qualifications:	2006 – Higher Level Teaching Assistant 1991 – NNEB diploma in Nursery Nursing
Additional training:	2021 – Elklan 2020 – Working with Young Adults with Mental Health 2020 – Working with Young Adults and Children with Behaviour Difficulties 2020 – Supporting Communication in Young Adults with Down Syndrome 2019 – Oral Modifiers Course 2009 – OCR level 2 NVQ for IT Users
Memberships:	Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists
DBS & Safeguarding:	Enhanced DBS check Safeguarding Training