

Stepping Stones organises a range of training workshops each year that help to open doors for our children and young people. We view this training as an investment in their future through sharing knowledge, information and support. Our workshops are open to families, schools, medical professionals and anyone with a desire to learn more about Down syndrome. Although we are lucky to work with some of the world's leading speakers and trainers we heavily subsidise the training workshops to make them accessible to all.

Our next course is **We're All in This Together**, being run by Symbol UK. This is a day for families and professionals supporting children with Down syndrome up to the age of 11, on understanding our children's communication profile, supporting them to develop their speech, language and communication skills at home, school and other environments, and enabling them to 'tell it like it is'!

Upcoming Training Topic	Age Group	Provider	Location	
25th May 9.30-2.30	We're all in this Together	Primary	Symbol	Sentinel House, Harvest Crescent, Fleet, GU51 2UZ
29th June 9.30-2.30	School Starters	YrR-2	Let's GO	Sentinel House, Harvest Crescent, Fleet, GU51 2UZ
1st & 8th July 9.30-4.00	Makaton Beginners' Workshop	ANY	Makaton	Sentinel House, Harvest Crescent, Fleet, GU51 2UZ

School Starters – Let's Go This session will be a chance for schools and any teachers who are new to working with a child with DS to forward plan for September and think about how the team around the child can all work together. Please note that although this course is open to anyone the subject matter will very much be focussed on the infant years (YrR - 2).

Makaton Beginner's Workshop This 2 day course provides a practical introduction to the Makaton Language Programme. Sessions include discussing commonly asked questions, hints and tips for effective signing and symbol use and how to start using Makaton in everyday situations at home or work. You will learn the signs and symbols for Stages 1-4 and Additional of the Core Vocabulary. You will receive two workshop manuals, which include the signs and symbols that you have learned. Please note the cost of this course is £25 members, £40 non-members, payment will be required in advance and will be non-refundable. NOTE - very limited places remaining - we will be operating a waiting list so please email to express interest.

How to book

Places can be booked by emailing training@steppingstonesds.co.uk Please let us know the course titles, how many places you would like to book, your contact details and how you would like to pay. Payment can be made on the day, via BACS or we can issue an invoice. If an invoice is required, please do let us know.

All courses cost £15 members, £25 non-members – unless stated otherwise.

Please note – we provide tea/coffee but do not provide lunch so packed lunches will be required.

