



## Learning Assistant Workshop

### How to Support Students with Learning Difficulties with Karen Starkiss

#### The course content includes:

- To be aware of signs and symptoms of specific learning difficulties in individuals
- To increase confidence in the use of a range of strategies to support students in class and individually
- To be provided with ideas to help you support the teachers' classroom programme for students according to their identified needs
- To be provided with ideas, activities and resources that will support the teachers' classroom intervention strategies for students with learning difficulties.

#### About the Presenter

Karen has 30 years teaching experience. In England she was Principal of one of the top performing primary schools in England despite the fact that the school had the largest number of students with significant Learning Difficulties in the region. She also lectured nationally about integrating children with dyslexia into mainstream classrooms and provided training for schools. Since she has been in Australia Karen has continued to assess and advise a number of adults and children with dyslexia and has run courses throughout Victoria for teachers about how to create a Dyslexia-Friendly school. She has also appeared in articles in The Age newspaper concerning her work with children and adults. In addition to her professional expertise and involvement, two of Karen's children are dyslexic and therefore, she has very personal experience of the problems that parents face, the frustrations and successes.

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#### Workshop for Tuggeranong/South Weston Schools

**When:** Monday 12th May 2014 (wk.3 T2)

**Where:** Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching & Learning 51 Fremantle Drive Stirling

Mezannie Room

**Time:** 8.30am - 3.00pm

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