



LGBT+ Inclusion in schools and SEND

Teacher and Teacher Trainer, Mel Lane, from The Space Youth Project in collaboration with Chatterboxes Youth Action Project for Young People with Disabilities, will provide you with information and suggestions to help boost LGBT+ Inclusion in your school. The session will include:

- Information on gender, intersex, transgender and non-binary identities
- Language, including how to tackle offensive language
- The impact of supporting young LGBT+ people including mental health issues
- Involving parents
- Small things that make a big impact - visibility and inclusion across the curriculum
- Specific information and guidance related to LGBT+ and SEND young people, delivered by young people
- Time for questions

Date : Wednesday 25th May 2022

Time: 1-3.30pm

Delivered virtually by Zoom

Cost : £75 per person—not boost funded****

Book via : www.bcpworkforcedevelopment.co.uk

Suitable for : All staff





Mel is a very experienced primary school teacher and teacher trainer. She now specialises in LGBT+ inclusion and volunteers with the LGBT+ young person's charity, Space Youth Project. Mel and her team of young volunteers work with staff and students from primary and secondary schools across Dorset delivering high quality training on gender and sexual orientation and helping schools to create warm, welcoming, inclusive environments for all students. Mel also works with children's author, Olly Pike, producing teaching resources for children .You can find out more about Mel and her resources at her website www.diversitymel.com

The Chatterboxes is an innovative community-based, youth led project for young people aged 11-25 years old with Special Educational Needs and/ or Disabilities across Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole. We aim to raise awareness of disabilities and create a community which is equal for all whilst being surrounded by friendship and laughter. We focus on bringing together young disabled people into a safe, caring environment which many of them call their Chatterbox family. We currently support on average 80 young people per week, and they are involved in 4/5 weekly youth sessions, designing, and delivering training and community events to other young people and professionals on topics such as disability awareness and mental health as well as being part of different statutory steering groups to inform future policy, procedures and services for disabled young people.