

MAKATON WORKSHOP

Level 1 Training

Date: Wednesday 2nd December 2026

Time: 9.00am - 3.30pm

Ifield SMILE, Cedar Avenue, Gravesend, DA12 5JT

Workshop Objectives:

The Level 1 Workshop provides a practical introduction to the Makaton Language Programme.

Workshop Content:

1. Know about the history, design and structure of Makaton and the Makaton Core Vocabulary
2. Be able to use signs and symbols from Stages 1, 2 and half of the Additional Vocabulary in their daily environment, and use techniques for placement, directionality and movement.
3. Know how the signs used with the Makaton Vocabulary are derived.
4. Have a knowledge of the different approaches to develop the communication skills of a wide range of Makaton users.
5. Be informed about the other Makaton Training Courses and Workshops.

You will receive a Participant's Manual. This manual is designed to be used as a workbook and supports participants when you are putting your learning into practice after the Workshop, which includes the Makaton symbols and signs that you learn in the workshop.

You will receive a certificate of attendance. Please remember to keep your Level 1 training certificate in case you want to attend further Makaton training.

Target Audience:

Level 1 is for those interested in learning about the first steps of Makaton.

Presented by: Kirsty Jewell – Director of Therapy, Lead Speech and Language Therapist, Ifield School Self-service refreshments provided

To secure your place contact Hannah Walsh at: office@ifield.kent.sch.uk

Unfortunately, there is no parking permitted on site but there is parking available in the surrounding roads.