

TOTAL COMMUNICATION

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Communication is a fundamental human right essential for building relationships, expressing thoughts, sharing ideas, and participating in society. It enables learning, personal growth, and informed decision-making.

Total Communication uses various methods such as sign, speech, listening, writing, and visual aids to meet individual communication needs and abilities.

Focusing on Signing, Symbols and Adult/ Child Interactions, this session has been designed to equip participants with a comprehensive set of communication tools and strategies to effectively meet the unique needs of individuals

The aims of this session are to:

- Develop understanding of Total Communication and different methods of communication
- Consider the reasons why we communicate, the skills we need to communicate and what makes an effective communicator
- Examine various methods of communication and the finger spelling alphabet
- Consider why signs are an effective method of communication and learn some key signs for use both within school and at home
- Develop knowledge and skills in the use of visual symbols to aid understanding and expression
- Develop skills to create meaningful and supportive interactions between adults and children, promoting a positive communication environment that encourages language development and social engagement.



30th September 2025

18th November 2025

27th January 2026

17th March 2026

5th May 2026

23rd June 2026

9.00am to 12.30pm

Chamwell Centre
The Milestone School Campus
Longford Lane
Gloucester
GL2 9EU

Suitable for practitioners in
EYFS, Primary, Secondary
and SEND settings

£70pp or £65pp*

(*if booking more than one place)

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