

SENCo Newsletter

MILFORD VALUES

M - Motivated
I - Independent
L - Learning
F - Forward Thinking
O - Outstanding
R - Respect
D - Determined

What is *Neurodiversity* ?



Our brains (**neuro-**) naturally vary from person to person (are **diverse**) and are a part of human variation.

It is the variation in the way we think, communicate, act, understand, move and process information



diversity is beautiful



diversity in the animal world
there are millions of different kinds of animals - more than we can count!

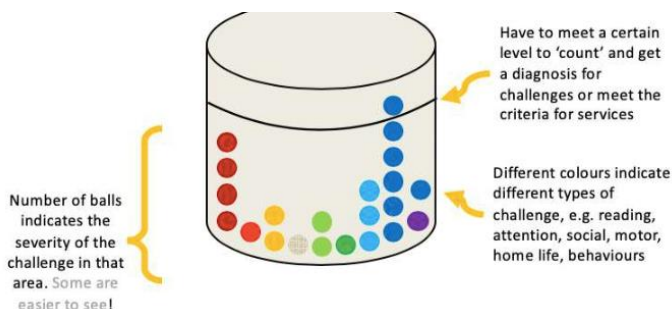


diversity of people
people come in a great variety of shapes, sizes, genders, abilities, and appearances - we are all unique!



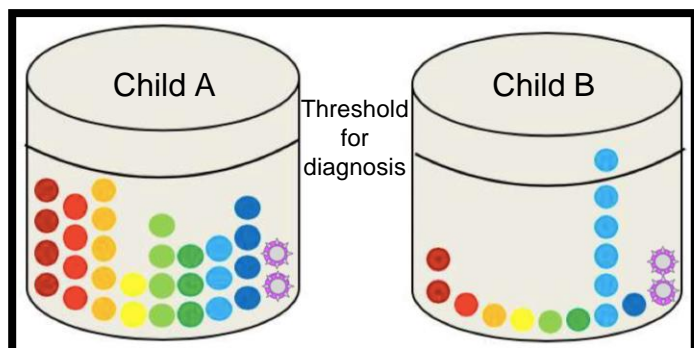
diversity of human brains
no two brains are alike, but we have names for different types - like ADHD, autism, dyslexia, typical, & more!

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Moving Beyond the Label...

Child A has multiple needs, however, they don't reach the threshold in any one area for a diagnosis. Child B, has enough challenge in 1 specific area of need to trigger a diagnosis.




What does that mean for us as teaching professionals?

Don't wait for a diagnosis.
Respond to a child's identified needs.

Use universal strategies that reach the all, not just the few.


One diagnosis doesn't always show the whole picture...

Do you know?




More than 1 in 3 people with ADHD have DCD/Dyspraxia as well.

Embrace Neurodiversity




Do you know?




Around 1 in 2 people with Tourette's Syndrome have ADHD as well.

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Do you know?




More than 4 in 5 people with ASC/Autism have DCD/Dyspraxia as well.

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Do you know?




More than 1 in 5 people with Dyslexia have DCD/Dyspraxia as well.

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Do you know?




Between 25-50% of children with ADHD have ASC as well.

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Around 1 in 3 children with DLD have DCD/Dyspraxia as well.

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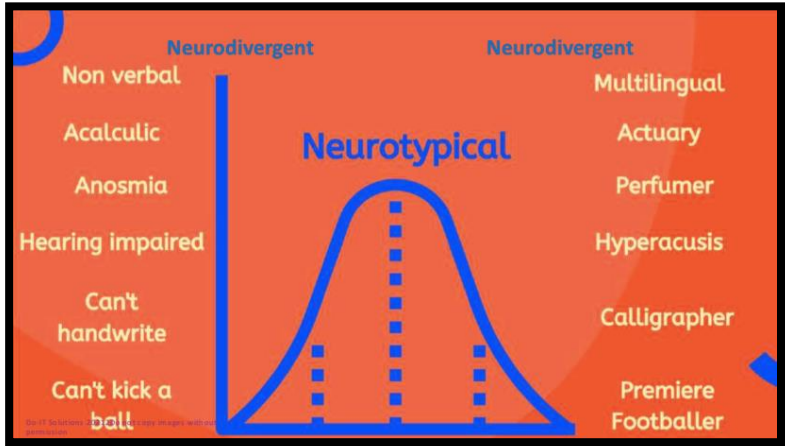
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People are not in neat boxes



Let's celebrate...

Neurodiversity Celebration Week:
March 21st-27th 2022

Ideas and resources to follow!

