# Setting up Therapeutic Storywriting Groups

Three day course, plus three group supervision sessions for the first year:

* Venue: Havant Public Service Plaza, Civic Centre Road, Havant, PO9 2AX
* Dates: Tues 15th January 2019, Wed 13th February 2019 and   
  Wed 13th March 2019
* Time: 9:30 a.m. -3.30 p.m.
* Cost: £480, or 5.5 hours of SLA time – includes refreshments

Please note that lunch will NOT be provided - please bring a lunch with you

Cost: £85 or 1 hour SLA per

**What is Therapeutic Storywriting?**

Therapeutic Storywriting uses the metaphor in stories to support children whose emotional and behavioural difficulties are getting in the way of their learning. Evidence-based research shows that the 10-week intervention improves pupils’ writing skills while also developing their emotional and social skills.

It is currently in use in over 35 Local Authorities.

**By the end of this course you will be able to:**

* Deliver the 10 week Therapeutic Storywriting intervention to groups of pupils.
* Write therapeutic stories to help address the emotional needs of pupils through metaphor.
* Evaluate and show evidence of the positive outcomes of the intervention.

**Is this training right for me?**

This course is aimed at SEN teachers, learning mentors, ELSAs, teaching assistants, school counsellors and other professionals supporting children with emotional needs in years 2-7.

**Please contact Georgina Maclean, Educational Psychologist, with any questions: georgina.maclean@hants.gov.uk**

A fantastic course that has given me a valuable skill with which to support pupils with emotional and behavioural difficulties.

*SENCo, Hampshire*



**BOOKING FORM**

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**15th January, 13th February and 13th March 2019 - 9.30 a.m. – 3.30 p.m.**

* Please complete this booking form and return to Denise Uren **as soon as possible** (details below).
* You will receive an email acknowledging your booking form and confirming your place. Please contact Denise Uren on 02392 441501 if you have not received acknowledgement of your booking form two weeks after forwarding this or by 8 January at the latest.
* You will be sent an Internal Trading Document for completion or an invoice if an Academy/individual.
* Cost: £480 per participant (includes 3-day course, plus supervision sessions), or 5.5 hours SLA time – please indicate which method of payment you would prefer.
* You are expected to attend all three days of the course.  Participants who do not attend Day 1 will not be allowed to attend Days 2 and 3 **AND** you will be charged the cost of the whole course
* Please inform us of any special requirements/access arrangements.

**POST:** Hampshire and Isle of Wight Educational Psychology, Havant Public Service Plaza, Civic Centre Road, Havant, PO9 (Courier Route – CB36)

**E-MAIL:** denise.uren@hants.gov.uk

Please be aware that the following charges will apply for cancellations:

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| **From** | **To** | **Percentage** |
| Two weeks before course | Date of course | 100% |
| Receipt of booking form | Two weeks before course | 50% |

**Participant’s Name**: …………………………………. **Position**: ……………………………

Email address: ……………………………………………………………………………………….

(please note that all information concerning the course will be sent to this email address)

**Agreement from Applicant**

I understand and agree that, as a requirement of attendance on the above course, it will be necessary (after the first day of training) to set up and run a 10 week (1 hour/week) Therapeutic Storywriting group of six young people, and attend supervision sessions after completion of the course.

Signed (applicant) ………………………………………… Date …………………………………

**Agreement from Head Teacher**

I understand and agree that, as a requirement of attendance on the above course, it will be necessary for the applicant to have the time, space and resources to set up and run a 10 week Therapeutic Storywriting group of six young people (1 hour/week plus preparation and reflection time).

Signature of Head Teacher/Head of Department ………………………………………………