

# St Laurence O'Toole's National School - *We aim High*

## Areas of Concerns & Pathways for Parents Document.



## Concern over Dyslexia or Dyscalculia

### Steps

1. Discuss with Class teacher and AEN teacher to talk through possible further screening available in the school and external referral.
  - i. Eg. Dyslexia checklists , Dyslexia Screener (online).
2. Refer to Educational Psychologist
  - a. School selects a number of students for assessment with NEPS (speak to SENCO who will provide forms if necessary. Note: Schools get very few assessments a year 2 Maximum.
  - b. If not selected through NEPS, private assessment or Dyslexia Association of Ireland (DAI) referral will be discussed. Forms available here  
<https://www.dyslexia.ie/dai-services/assessment-service/>
3. Teacher will assist with referral forms.
4. **Explain to parents that even if a diagnosis of dyslexia is received, support within the school is allocated on needs basis so may not necessarily result in additional support teaching.**
5. Keep the class teacher informed of any developments.
6. If a child goes for private assessment and is given a diagnosis of dyslexia (or Dyscalculia) discuss a report and potential recommendation with the school so that they can assist with any recommendation such as assistive technology or Irish exemption.

Additional information-

[https://www.routledge.com/rsc/downloads/Guide\\_to\\_Dyslexia\\_Dyspraxia.pdf](https://www.routledge.com/rsc/downloads/Guide_to_Dyslexia_Dyspraxia.pdf)

