

Dyscalculia

What is Dyscalculia?

- Dyscalculia is a specific learning difficulty in Mathematics
- Types — There are 2 main types
 - **Developmental Dyscalculia** — this is where there is a discrepancy between a person's developmental level and general cognitive ability on measures of specific Maths ability
 - **Dyscalculia** — a total inability to understand numbers and applied concepts

Useful Website

www.dyscalculia.co.uk

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GENERAL INFORMATION LEAFLET

Basic Facts for Leaders

Dyscalculia



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General Features

Indicators of Dyscalculia

- An inability to learn to count by rote
- Difficulty reading or writing numbers
- Poor mental maths
- Difficulty with time and time management
- Poor sense of direction
- Poor memory for lay-out
- Confusion with left and right
- Difficulty with games – they may lose track of those whose turn it is
- Cannot remember names or faces
- Problems with money

Areas of the BB programme which would present difficulty for the boy

Anchor Boy
GAMES

Junior Section
PE/GAMES
CERTAIN BADGE WORK
FIGURE MARCHING

Company Section
DRILL
BADGE CLASSES
GAMES



Useful Strategies

- Always explain a new concept step by step
- Encourage child to repeat back to check their understanding
- Use **concrete** apparatus
- Use picture/visual stimuli
- Allow and encourage the use of rough working out
- Allow extra time to complete a task
- Provide reminders / task locations

Please note these are general strategies

EACH BOY IS UNIQUE

It is therefore important to speak to his parent(s) to gain individual relevant information.