



**Waltham Forest  
Dyslexia Association**  
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## **Dyslexic and Neurodivergent Adult Meet-ups - 2024 Talks**

**Zoom video conference with phone  
dial-in option in partnership with the  
AchieveAbility Charity**



WFDA Adult Meetups- on the last **Wednesday of the month at 7pm** for one hour there are speaker presentations and discussion on dyslexia and neurodivergence.

**On Wednesday 29 May 2024 at 7 pm**

**Dr Melanie Thorley**

**will talk about**

**The Importance of Disability Inclusive language**

The session will introduce colleagues to the STAART Principles of Disability (SPoD): how and why the SPoD was created, and who created these principles.

Dr Melanie Thorley is the STAART Manager at the University of Greenwich and a Director and Trustee of AchieveAbility. STAART supports students with a disability, long-term health condition, neurodivergence (autistic and dyslexic spectra), and/or mental health condition to thrive at university.

Melanie will discuss negative/pejorative language to avoid and the importance of disability inclusive language. As this is an interactive Mentimeter session, attendees can participate in the activities (internet enabled device required) and request a bespoke report at the end to save writing notes and for future reference.

**A free event. Sign-up via email to: [katherine.hewlett@wfda.org.uk](mailto:katherine.hewlett@wfda.org.uk)  
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