

Supporting Students with Handwriting and Keyboarding: The Role of OT

The transcription tools students use in the contemporary classroom have evolved in recent years to include both handwriting and digital forms. Whilst handwriting difficulties remain one of the primary reasons for referrals to occupational therapists, older students are also being referred for difficulties with keyboarding.

This two-day interactive workshop investigates the transcription skills of drawing, handwriting and keyboarding that school students encounter every day. The workshop will provide therapists with:

- an overview of the complexities and typical development of drawing, handwriting and keyboarding;
- an overview of the classroom expectations for handwriting and keyboarding skills and how to effectively support teachers and students.
- the opportunity to investigate different tools for the assessment of handwriting and keyboarding skills including classroom/clinical observations and standardised assessment tools.
- different intervention strategies to support students in developing proficient transcription skills.



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Presenter: Rebecca Spokes is an Occupational Therapist who is passionate about supporting children who have difficulties with handwriting and the writing process, and those with specific learning disabilities. She is the founder of The OT Notebook and supports therapist, teachers and students in the area of handwriting and writing in everyday practice. Rebecca also works alongside the School of Education at Charles Sturt University completing research, presentations and developing specific resources for teachers around handwriting. We are eagerly awaiting her handwriting course.

Date **Tuesday 12th November** 9am – 4.30pm
 Wednesday 13th November 9am- 4.30pm

Venue: Box Hill Institute
 Lilydale Lakeside Campus,
 Jarlo Drive Lilydale 3140

Cost: \$615.00 includes morning tea, lunch
 and afternoon tea.
 Early bird registration \$565.00
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