

# Harrow Patoss Newsletter Spring 2024



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Harrow Patoss aims to support a wide range of learners with specific learning difficulties. Our members work with neurodiverse individuals aged from pre-school to adults. When selecting our resources, we ensure that they cater for all ages. We endeavour to address a variety of subjects in our talks; if you have a suggestion for a topic or speaker, please let us know. [mpereira@uwclub.net](mailto:mpereira@uwclub.net)

Dear Members

Happy New Year and we hope you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday season. So Welcome to 2024! We are looking forward to seeing you at the exciting events we have planned for this year.

This academic year we have already had two popular and informative events. In September we hosted a webinar by **Jenny Meyer** on *Understanding Dyspraxia and Strategies to support our Learners*. In October the online assessors group welcomed **Louise Green** for an informative talk on *Changes to the JCQ Access Arrangements and Reasonable Adjustments 2023/2024*.

In 2024 please support us by attending and publicising our events whenever possible so these can continue into the future.

In further news, Harrow Patoss is pleased to be participating in the *Local Patoss Group* chaired by **Dr Kevin Smith** which was set up following the Covid19 pandemic to support and promote the work of local groups.

**We are currently looking for a new member to join our vibrant committee, if you are interested please contact [mpereira@uwclub.net](mailto:mpereira@uwclub.net)**

## **Upcoming Zoom Event -Thursday 25th January 8pm**

### **THE USE OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY TO HELP NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS FROM PRIMARY TO FE by Arran Smith**

Arran is a dyslexic individual who has worked in many capacities with the *British Dyslexia Association* and *Microsoft*. Arran will be sharing his knowledge of FREE assistive technology to increase accessibility of teaching and learning for all our students. This will be a fantastic opportunity for all of us to gain more knowledge of this area.

This webinar will be delivered by Zoom and is FREE with your Harrow Patoss membership and £10.00 for non-members. To book a place, please contact [mpereira@uwclub.net](mailto:mpereira@uwclub.net) Please note, the Zoom joining details will be sent prior to the event.

## **National Patoss News**

National Patoss have recently released an exciting free collection of back copies of the Patoss Bulletins covering over 20 years dating from Winter 1999- Winter 2022 are available by contacting [morfudd.wise@gmail.com](mailto:morfudd.wise@gmail.com)

## **Dates for your Diary**

We have an exciting programme of online talks planned for this academic year 2024: We are looking forward to our **Face to Face event in Pinner in June** with Wendy Peterson sharing her vast knowledge of Touch Typing with us all. more details to follow.

### **Membership Subscriptions**

**Annual subscriptions:**  
Please see below for the details of how to make a BAC transfer. The membership price has remained at £15 for members of National Patoss or £20 for non-members of National Patoss.  
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### **Tutors / Assessors Register**

If you are interested in being included please contact: [sharon@sharonsoldstone.co.uk](mailto:sharon@sharonsoldstone.co.uk)

### **Resources & Assessments**

If you are interested in accessing our comprehensive resources library please visit our website for further information and contact: [soniajoseph2@hotmail.com](mailto:soniajoseph2@hotmail.com)