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## **LDAK Newsletter Summer 2022**

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## LDAK Summer Update 2022

An update from our President, Helen Simson, on what LDAK has accomplished since the fall and what we will be working on next!

Click here: [Full Update Summer 2022](#)

## LDAK News

### LDAK Literacy Program

LDAK is pleased to near the completion of our spring pilot program, LDAK Literacy! 16 students in grades 1-3 completed twice weekly, one-on-one tutoring based on the Science of Reading. Thank you to our 7 trained tutors (Queen's University teacher candidates) for your participation, along with the schools and families. A huge thank you to our funders. We are proud to have offered the pilot program free of charge for selected students who faced significant challenges learning to read. We look forward to evaluating the pilot and developing LDAK's literacy plans for the future. Please stay tuned!



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## LDAK Celebrates 40th Anniversary

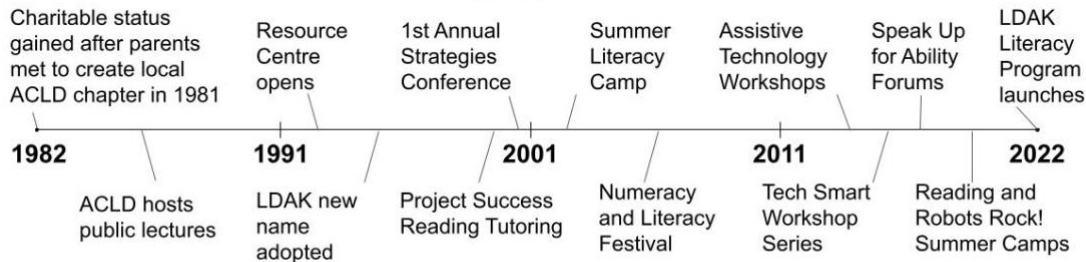
LDAK is proud to announce our 40th anniversary this year. Thank you to our many volunteers, families, and funders who made it possible! To learn about our journey over the years, and the services and support LDAK continues to offer, you can access the full story on our website. We also welcome you to share your feedback with LDAK in our [2022 Community Voices Survey](#).

Click here for the 40th anniversary post: [LDAK Historical Highlights](#)



## Celebrating 40 years of service in Kingston & area!

### LDAK Highlights 1982 - 2022



LDAK is proud to continue serving people with learning disabilities, families and the community.

## LDAK Resources

### LDAK Webinars

If you missed Speak Up for Ability 2022 or our panel discussion on literacy, the webinar recordings and related resources can be accessed on the **LDAK 'Events' page** here: <https://www.ldakingston.com/meetings-workshops>

**Check out the webinar recordings and resources added since the fall:**

1. [Speak Up for Ability 2022: Online Parents Forum recordings](#)

*Dr. Kristy Timmons, Limestone District School Board, and our panelists discussed effective literacy interventions, tips for parents, and the Right to Read Report. Please note, the presentation from Algonquin & Lakeshore Catholic District School Board was available for registrants only. The Ontario Human Rights Commission session was not recorded.*

2. [LDAK Literacy Panel Discussion](#)

*Teachers, Emily Moorhead and Kim Lockhart, and Occupational Therapist (KidsInclusive), Lisa Janssen, discussed strategies for reading success and the context of the OHRC Right to Read Inquiry. Recommended reading included!*

### Webinar Surveys: Help Inform our future events!

If you attended Speak Up for Ability 2022, please share your feedback in this short survey: [LDAK Speak Up for Ability survey](#)

If you attended one of our other webinars, we would love to hear your feedback here: [LDAK post-webinar survey](#)

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## LDAK Resource Guide

The LDAK Resource Guide 2022 is full of information for parents/caregivers and educators on the OHRC Right to Read Report and a variety of literacy resources (for children too)! This guide includes links to articles, books, videos, and websites shared by the presenters during the Speak Up for Ability 2022 forum on the topic of Building Children's Literacy Skills at Home and School.

[Access the LDAK Resource Guide](#)

*The Resource Guide can be accessed anytime on LDAK's 'Events' page under 'Speak Up for Ability 2022'.*

### Other Resources

## The OHRC Right to Read Inquiry & Report

[OHRC Executive Summary and Key Recommendations of the Right to Read Report](#) *Approved by the Ontario Human Rights Commission: January 27, 2022.*

[OHRC Right to Read Inquiry Report Release](#) (Streamed live on February 28, 2022) - *Posted by the Ontario Human Rights Commission*

[Right to Read Response](#) - *Posted by the Ministry of Education, Ontario, March 16, 2022.*

["Right to Read Symposium, Resource Page" - International Dyslexia Association Ontario](#), *retrieved April, 2022.*

["Right to Read Resource Page" - LD@school](#), *A project of the Learning Disabilities Association Ontario, retrieved April, 2022.*

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## Summer Programs (Online)

["Reading Rocks - Registering for Summer 2022"](#) - *Learning Disabilities Association of Ottawa-Carleton, retrieved 2022.*

["Reading Rocks - A structured intervention program for literacy"](#) - *Learning Disabilities Association of York Region, retrieved 2022.*

["LDATD programs for children's social skills development, academic support, navigating assistive technologies, and more"](#) - *Learning Disabilities Association of Toronto District, retrieved 2022.*

["Free 1:1 Grade 4-11 Math Tutoring with Ontario Certified Teachers"](#) - *TVO Mathify, retrieved 2022.*

## Recent Recordings

["Our Favourite FSL and Francophone Structured Literacy Tools"](#) - *International Dyslexia Association Ontario May 26, 2022.*

["Evidence-based Early Literacy Practices to Support Every Learner"](#) - *LD@school with Emily Moorhead, May 9, 2022.*

["The Right to Read with Second Language Educator, Kim Lockhart"](#) - *Melissa and Lori Love Literacy Podcast, retrieved May, 2022.*

## For Kids & Parents

["Explore the Outdoors" Summer Activity Ideas](#) - *PBS Kids for Parents, retrieved May, 2022.*

["Summer Activities for Kids with Learning Disorders"](#), *Laura Phillips PsyD ABPdN & Child Mind Institute, retrieved May, 2022.*

["5 Ways to Help Kids Handle Disagreements with Friends"](#), *PBS Kids for Parents, retrieved May 17, 2022.*

["High Interest / Lo Level \(Hi-Lo\) Books"](#), © 2018 Academy Therapy Publications. *Book sales.*

["Starfall" Educational games, videos and books \(PreK - 3\)](#), © 2002, 2020 by Starfall Education.

Be sure to check out our [LDAK Resource Guide](#) for more educational content for kids!

## Get Involved

### Volunteers

LDAK welcomes new board members and volunteers who have fundraising and marketing experience. We are also in regular need of volunteers for our Charity Bingos (volunteers must be 18 years and older).

If you are interested, please email: [ldak@ldakingston.com](mailto:ldak@ldakingston.com).

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### Membership Application

We encourage all individuals interested in Learning Disabilities to become a member of the Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO), and by doing so automatically become a member of the LDAK chapter.

For further details, please visit the "Get Involved" page of the LDAK website: <https://www.ldakingston.com/get-involved>.

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*Our aim is to keep the community informed about services and facilities that are available to people with learning disabilities.*

*We urge consumers and service providers to review carefully any programmes and services listed in order to select those which will meet most appropriately the identified needs of the person with learning disabilities.*

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