

Diana Kilbride

Bachelor of Social Work

Post Graduate Diploma (Primary Teaching)

AMADA accredited (4th year)

My name is Diana Kilbride and I teach Structured Literacy to those students who have difficulty acquiring reading, writing and spelling skills. I trained as an MSL educator in Melbourne in mid 2016. This extended my thinking and learning around the importance of phonological awareness and its role in assisting children to improve their literacy skills.

In the last 6 years, I have worked privately and taught over 150 students.

The majority of these students have diverse learning needs such as dyslexia, dysgraphia, ADHD, APD and other Specific Learning Difficulties.

It's been inspiring to work with each one of these students, watching them grow as a learner, a thinker and a person as they work through explicit structured literacy lessons. As an experienced classroom teacher, I recognised that there were always those few students in every classroom, who required a lot of extra support with reading, writing and spelling, but there never seemed to be enough hours to give them that additional help. Hence my long term goal to connect 1-1 with these students, teaching them language concepts explicitly in a structured and sequential way.

On a personal note, I live on a dairy farm on the outskirts of Cambridge. In my spare time, I am usually adventure racing, cycling, skiing or heading off to yoga classes with friends.

Please feel free to get in touch, even if you only have a few questions. I look forward to connecting with you and your child sometime in the near future.

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