

# Welcome to ACE Centre North Network Day

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# ACE Centre North news

- Welcome to Hayley Power
- Congratulation to Andy Banns
- Good luck to Rachel Thwaite
- Vacancy being advertised for an OT...

# ACE Centre North projects

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Giving people a Voice...

- Access to AAC and AT
- Getting started with AAC
- No Speech but Lots to Say
- Access to Communication For All



# Home Access Programme

- Pilots in Oldham and Suffolk near completion
- Main rollout preparation for supporting pupils with complex needs currently in consultation
- This will not resemble the pilots!

*Watch this space.....*

# Sign up for a Service Level Agreement...

- Local Authority SLAs now being delivered with 3 year agreements
- 100% renewals of school SLAs to date

# Training

- Dates of next year's accredited training in packs
  - Assistive Technology Unit
  - AAC Unit
  - Access and Control Unit
  - Recording Unit

# Better Communication Action Plan

- Communication Champion
- BCAP Secretariat
- Becta AAC grants
- SLCN commissioning pathfinders
- Children's Community Equipment pilots





# Programme for the day

10.45 **Keryn Green & Kay Wrench** AEN Service Oldham

Home Access Pilot Project Update

11.15 **Coffee**

11.30 **Shelley Makin**

An insight into life as an adult who uses a communication aid and independent living

12.15 **What's New!!**

An update on some of the latest Assistive Technology software, hardware and communication aids.

12.45 **Lunch**

1.45 **Mick Donegan** The ACE Centre Advisory Trust

The latest developments in Eye Gaze Systems

2.45 **A Steve Cragg** Spacekraft

An overview of the products Spacekraft offer to support interactivity in SEN

**B . Mike Taylor** Excitim

Setting up switch-adapted toys and adapting games consoles for children and adults who need alternative access

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