

Dear Professionals,

In this communication, please find the following training and support with the booking/information links. Please find more information on each session, in this PDF document.

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>BOOKING/INFORMATION LINK</b>
<b>Behaviour Forum - Secondary schools: 16.06.2022</b>	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/behaviour-forum-dacorum-secondary-school-professionals-only-tickets-163163385077">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/behaviour-forum-dacorum-secondary-school-professionals-only-tickets-163163385077</a>
<b>EAL &amp; SEND Training – 22.06.2022</b>	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eal-and-send-cracking-the-conundrum-for-dacorum-professionals-tickets-334541912867">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eal-and-send-cracking-the-conundrum-for-dacorum-professionals-tickets-334541912867</a>
<b>ADHD Training:</b> <b>Primary Schools 28.06.22</b>  <b>Secondary Schools 21.03.22</b>	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-primary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-334561300857">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-primary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-334561300857</a> <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-secondary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-337031198387">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-secondary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-337031198387</a>
<b>Youth Mental Health First Aid Champions One Day Training Course</b>	09/06/2022 (Watford) - <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-1-day-champion-course-9th-june-watford-tickets-337962664427">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-1-day-champion-course-9th-june-watford-tickets-337962664427</a> 08/07/2022 (Hemel Hempstead) - <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-champion-course-1-day-dacorum-tickets-337992032267">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-champion-course-1-day-dacorum-tickets-337992032267</a>
<b>Hertfordshire SEND Benchmark &amp; Planning Tool Annual Survey 2022</b>	<a href="https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/VTk8VW/">https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/VTk8VW/</a>
<b>Woodfield Outreach Training:</b>  <b>Great skills for Teaching and Learning Assistants 08.06.22 or 15.06.2022</b>  <b>Developing communication for those who are pre/non-verbal 29.06.2022</b>	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/great-skills-for-teaching-and-learning-assistants-1-session-dacorum-prof-tickets-219923546247">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/great-skills-for-teaching-and-learning-assistants-1-session-dacorum-prof-tickets-219923546247</a> <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/developing-communication-for-those-who-are-prenon-verbal-dacorum-prof-tickets-219929584307">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/developing-communication-for-those-who-are-prenon-verbal-dacorum-prof-tickets-219929584307</a>
<b>Speech &amp; Language Makaton &amp; Elklan Training</b>	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/childrens-speech-and-language-therapy-service-18198633903">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/childrens-speech-and-language-therapy-service-18198633903</a>
<b>CAMHS Comms, Engagement and Coproduction Steering Group</b>	Zip folder attached to the DSPL8 email

The DSPL8 Professionals communication can also be downloaded from our website via the following link:  
<http://www.dacorumdspl.org.uk/online-resources-for-professionals-2/>

Kind Regards,

DSPL 8 Team – Carole Hassell, Ruth Mason & Ashley Fabray

 Website: [www.dacorumdspl.org.uk](http://www.dacorumdspl.org.uk)

 Facebook: [www.facebook.com/dspldacorum](https://www.facebook.com/dspldacorum)

 Email: [dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk)

 Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/dspl\\_dacorum/](https://www.instagram.com/dspl_dacorum/)

 Eventbrite: <https://dspl8.eventbrite.co.uk/>

If you would like to register for our mailing list, or be removed, please email [dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk)

## **Behaviour Forum: Secondary schools**

**Booking Link:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/behaviour-forum-dacorum-secondary-school-professionals-only-tickets-163163385077>



### **Behaviour Forum—Dacorum Secondary Schools**

The Behaviour Forum provides an opportunity for Secondary Pastoral Leads to hear the latest initiatives and developments. Whilst providing an opportunity for networking and sharing of good practice.

The Summer Term session will include the following:

- No More Service - Nicole Theron
- Mental Health update - Amanda Clark
- DESC update: Boxall update and referral form - Emma McKenna
- DSPL8 update - Carole Hassell

**Date:** Thursday 16th June 2022

**Time:** 15:30 - 17:00

**Venue:** Online (the meeting link will be sent directly from DESC nearer the date)

**Book your place via:** [www.dspl8.eventbrite.com](http://www.dspl8.eventbrite.com)

## EAL & SEND Training

**Booking Link:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eal-and-send-cracking-the-conundrum-for-dacorum-professionals-tickets-334541912867>

### EAL and SEND: cracking the conundrum

This course looks at the overlap between working with English as an additional language learners and learners with special educational needs. It considers the different types of learners and explores how professionals might distinguish between pupils' language needs and pupils' learning difficulties. It demonstrates effective provision for pupils who are learning English as an additional language and whose progress may be causing concern.

The course also explores appropriate assessment procedures and provision.

#### **What you will gain by attending the course:**

- an understanding of the difference between learning an additional language needs and learning difficulties
- an effective informal first language assessment procedure
- examples of innovative and inclusive teaching styles across the curriculum

#### **The course:**

- introduces the different types of learners and explores ways of distinguishing EAL learning from learning difficulties
- provides procedures for assessing pupils' needs
- provides strategies and approaches that will empower staff to employ inclusive practice across the curriculum
- offers ways to ensure that provision matches the learning needs of both individual pupils and groups

#### **Course leader:**

Marc Thompson is a specialist in special educational needs, inclusion, and the learning needs of pupils learning English as an Additional Language. Marc was previously Head of EAL in a London school and later Deputy Head of an EMA centre. His particular areas of expertise are the SEN/EAL overlap, boys' and promoting boys' reading.



**This training is fully funded by DSPL8 and is for SENCO's or those leading on EAL in a Dacorum School. Please see below for further details and how to book:**

**Date:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022

**Time:** 9:30am – 4:00pm

**Venue:** Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School, Peascroft Road, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 8ER

**Booking Link:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eal-and-send-cracking-the-conundrum-for-dacorum-professionals-tickets-334541912867>

**ADHD Training**

Primary Schools Booking Link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-primary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-334561300857>

**FREE workshop  
for primary school staff**

**Facilitated by ADHD/Autism  
Specialist Trainers  
from ADD-vance**



**Dacorum DSPL Area 8 are pleased to offer**  
**Understanding ADHD**  
**for Primary School Staff**

**on Tuesday 28th June**

**4—6 pm**

**at**

**South Hill School, Heath Lane  
Hemel Hempstead HP1 1PT**

Learning outcomes include:

- To understand more about ADHD
- To recognise ADHD in children and young people
- To explore the strengths and challenges associated with this condition
- To take away new information and ideas to support children with ADHD in school
- To know where to get more help

For more information and to book, please visit Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-primary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-334561300857>

Please note that this workshop is open to schools in the Dacorum district only  
and is fully funded by DSPL8



Secondary Schools Booking Link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-for-secondary-school-staff-dacorum-school-prof-only-tickets-337031198387>

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**Dacorum DSPL Area 8 are pleased to offer**  
**Understanding ADHD**  
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**on Tuesday 21st June**

**3.45—5.45 pm**

Learning outcomes include:

- To understand more about ADHD
- To recognise ADHD in children and young people
- To explore the strengths and challenges associated with this condition
- To take away new information and ideas to support children with ADHD in school
- To know where to get more help

The workshop will take place online via Zoom.

For more information and to book, please visit Eventbrite:

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## Youth Mental Health First Aid Champions One Day Training Course

### Booking links:

09/06/2022 (Watford) - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-1-day-champion-course-9th-june-watford-tickets-337962664427>

08/07/2022 (Hemel Hempstead) - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-first-aid-mhfa-champion-course-1-day-dacorum-tickets-337992032267>

For further information and booking please contact Charlotte Dyer at: [HertsvalleysCCG.schoolsmh@nhs.net](mailto:HertsvalleysCCG.schoolsmh@nhs.net)



## Youth Mental Health First Aid Champions One Day Training Course

Who is it for?	<p>Pastoral staff who support the Mental Health Lead and Deputy, and professionals who are involved in supporting positive emotional wellbeing and mental health. The training is relevant for people who teach, work, live with and care for children and young people aged 8 – 18.</p> <p><b>Please note Mental Health Leads/Deputy Leads: The Two Day MHFA youth course is recommended to meet the specific needs of your role. Please see the Two Day training flyer. Attendance on the One day training is not a prerequisite to the 2 day course.</b></p> <p>This one day course qualifies you as a Youth MHFA Champion, giving you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An understanding of common mental health issues and how they can affect young people</li> <li>• Ability to spot signs of mental ill health in young people and guide them to a place of support</li> <li>• Knowledge and confidence to advocate for mental health awareness</li> <li>• Skills to support positive wellbeing</li> </ul>
How long is it?	9.30am till 4.00pm - One full day
How many people?	Maximum 14- <b>Due to the high demand for this course, places are limited to two representatives per school/setting.</b>
About	Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Youth is an internationally recognised approach, designed to teach people how to spot the signs and symptoms of mental ill health in young people and provide help on a first aid basis.
Course Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is mental health and mental ill health?</li> <li>• Stigma and discrimination</li> <li>• The five steps of mental health first aid</li> <li>• Depression</li> <li>• Suicide</li> <li>• Resilience</li> <li>• Anxiety</li> <li>• Self-Harm and Eating Disorders</li> <li>• Psychosis</li> <li>• Recovery</li> </ul>
At the end of course you will be able to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognise the symptoms of mental health problems</li> <li>• Provide initial help</li> <li>• Guide the young person towards appropriate professional help</li> <li>• Be mindful of your own wellbeing</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop an understanding of how you can create and maintain a healthier and more productive learning environment in your role as Mental Health Champion supporting a whole school approach in partnership with the Mental Health Lead /Deputy Lead and key senior colleagues.</li> </ul>
Cost	The course is being funded as part of the CAMHS Transformation, venues are kindly being provided by local areas. A charge of £50 will be made for participants that fail to attend without giving at least one week's prior notice. (except in extenuating circumstances). Participants will receive a MHFA England certificate on completion along with a manual and workbook to take away.

Dates	Location	Refreshments	Time	Parking	Booking Link
9 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	<a href="#">Stanborough Centre</a> , Watford	Tea and Coffee refreshments provided	09:30-16:00	Parking available on site	<a href="#">Book Here</a>
8 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Myatt Room, <a href="#">Hobbs Hill Wood School</a> , Dacorum	Tea and Coffee refreshments provided	09:30-16:00	Parking available on site and on nearby roads	<a href="#">Book Here</a>

For further information and booking please contact Charlotte Dyer at:

[HertsvalleysCCG.schoolsmh@nhs.net](mailto:HertsvalleysCCG.schoolsmh@nhs.net)



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## **Hertfordshire SEND Benchmark & Planning Tool Annual Survey 2022**

Please be reminded to complete the Hertfordshire SEND Benchmarking and Planning Tool Annual Survey 2022

The link to HCC's online survey is now live and **6 June 2022** is the deadline for schools to have completed the survey by.

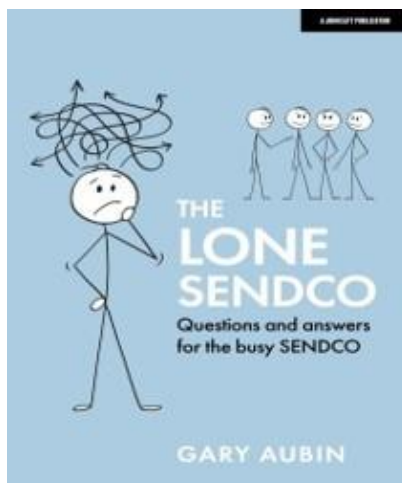
Please click on the link below to complete the survey

<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/VTk8VW/>

Last year the responses from Dacorum, Tring and Berkhamstead were lower than in previous years. So I do hope that you can find the time to complete the survey. HfL's vision for the survey is to;

- Maintain the engagement of all 9 DSPL areas in the annual survey
- Increase the number of schools returning the annual survey in each DSPL area
- Identify strengths, areas for development and next steps at school, DSPL and local authority level

All those who complete the survey for our DSPL8 areas will be entered into a local prize draw – **we have six copies of The Lone SENDCO to give away**. The prize draw will take place as soon as we have the final results from Hertfordshire and winners will be notified by email and the prize sent via the blue bag scheme.



The author Gary Aubin is director of SEND for a multi academy trust, having worked as a SENDCO in mainstream primary and secondary schools, where he supported schools out of Special Measures and towards Outstanding. He has also presented at numerous educational events, and is still a practising secondary teacher. Reviews define this book as a real powerhouse of a book that is packed with information, signposts to further resources and written in an accessible style. It covers a wide number of issues and provides informed professional support to guide novice and more experienced practitioners. This is an excellent resource that provides answers to over 300 questions.

### **Woodfield Outreach Professionals Training**

Please see below the next available upcoming Training sessions:

#### **Great skills for Teaching and Learning Assistants**

- Develop a range of practical strategies to enhance your skills as TA/LSA
- Develop your use of positive behaviour support and quality interaction
- How to make simple visual supports
- Practice simplifying and extending the challenge in tasks
- Develop your understanding of how to adapt an activity to make it more accessible
- Practice identifying what the learning is and what progress can look like with how to feed that back to the teacher

**Please attend 1 session in person.**

**This is being offered on 2 separate dates.**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 22, 1.30-3.30pm In person @ Woodfield School HP3 8RL

Or

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 22, 1.30-3.30pm In person @ Woodfield School HP3 8RL

**Booking Link:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/great-skills-for-teaching-and-learning-assistants-1-session-dacorum-prof-tickets-219923546247>

#### **Developing communication for those who are pre/non-verbal**

- Develop an understanding of the overall hierarchy of levels communication development
- Explore how to gauge the overall level a pupil is at
- Learn some basics of some approaches to support pre and non-verbal communication

**If you would like to register for our mailing list, or be removed, please email [dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk)**



## 1 session in person.

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 22, 1.30-3.30pm In person @ Woodfield School HP3 8RL

Booking Link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/developing-communication-for-those-who-are-prenon-verbal-dacorum-prof-tickets-219929584307>

## Speech & Language Makaton & Elklan Training

Hertfordshire NHS speech and language services offers Elklan and Makaton training online. These are paid for courses but run almost monthly online for parents and professionals. Makaton and Elklan has a standard charge for training regardless of who you train with - so level 1 of Makaton always costs £69 per person.

Booking Link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/childrens-speech-amp-language-therapy-service-18198633903>

## CAMHS Comms, Engagement and Coproduction Steering Group

Please see the Zip folder attached to the DSPL8 email for the the current information and feedback from the CAMHS steering group.

## Professionals Training - Summer 2022

### DSPL8 Professionals Training Offer 2021-22

Please find below the dates and times for training available to DSPL8 Professionals for 2021-22.

#### Summer 2022 Term

Autism Lead Network meeting	27.04.2022	13:00-14:30	Online
Primary School Mental Health and Wellbeing (pastoral) leads network	15.06.2022	13:30-15:00	Online*
Behaviour Forum Secondary Pastoral Leads	16.06.2022	15:30-17:00	DESC
Herts for Learning SEND Briefing	06.07.2022	12:00-16:00	South Hill Centre
SENCo Cluster Network - Tring	*see below		
SENCo Cluster Network - Berkhamsted	**see below		
SENCo Cluster Network - Secondary	09.06.2022	09:15-10:45	Online
SENCo Cluster Network - 1	24.05.2022	09:15-10:45	Online
SENCo Cluster Network - 2	24.05.2022	13:15-14:45	Online
SENCo Cluster Network - 3	26.05.2022	09:15-10:45	Online
SENCo Cluster Network - 4	26.05.2022	13:15-14:45	Online
Woodfield Outreach Training:			
Social Stories, when & how to write them—Part 1	30.03.2022	14:00-15:00	Online
Social Stories, when & how to write them—Part 2	27.04.2022	13:30-15:30	Woodfield School
Positive Behaviour Support	11–18.05.2022	14:00-15:00	Online
What helps effective transitions?	25.05.2022	14:00-15:00	Online
Great skills for Teaching and Learning Assistants	08 / 15.06.2022	13:30-15:30	Woodfield School
Supporting demand avoidant learners	22.06.2022	13:30-15:30	Woodfield School
Developing Communication for pre/non-verbal	29.06.2022	13:30-15:30	Woodfield School

Book your place via: [www.dspl8.eventbrite.com](http://www.dspl8.eventbrite.com)

#### Autism Lead Network Meeting

Autism Lead Forums are sessions for those with autism lead responsibility to hear the latest developments and practice for autistic young people. There is also an opportunity for networking and sharing good practice between schools. Book via Eventbrite.

#### Behaviour Forum

The Behaviour Forum provides an opportunity for Secondary Pastoral Leads to hear the latest initiatives and developments. Whilst providing an opportunity for networking and sharing of good practice. Book via Eventbrite.

#### Primary School Mental Health and Wellbeing (pastoral) leads network

Mental Health Lead Forums are sessions for those with mental health lead/deputy responsibility to hear latest developments, training and support for those working to improve and support well-being in schools for adults and young people. \*You do not need to book on Eventbrite, as a Microsoft teams link will follow from Public Health.

#### Herts for Learning SEND Briefing

SEND Briefings are designed for all SENCO's to ensure you are up to date with local and national SEND practice. With an hour for a specialist presentation on a SEND related topic and hour and half for Herts for Learning presentation on local/national updates. Slides of presentations are available after the event to those that have attended/registered. In non covid times we also ensure there is time for networking and catch up over coffee and cake. Book via Eventbrite.

#### SENCo Network Cluster Meetings

SENCo network meetings are an opportunity for SENCO's to share good practice ideas, problem solve together and spend some time with others. From time to time speakers can be arranged and there is an opportunity for issues raised to be highlighted within the DSPL in order to highlight need or seek resolution to common challenges. See the last page for a list of schools in each SENCo Network Cluster. Book via Eventbrite.

\*Tring Cluster: For further information contact - [masonr@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:masonr@kls.herts.sch.uk)

\*\* Berkhamsted Cluster: For further information contact - [masonr@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:masonr@kls.herts.sch.uk)

### DSPL8 Professionals Training Offer 2021-22

#### Schools in each SENCo Network cluster

Network 1	Network 2
Bedmond Boxmoor Galley Hill Heath Lane Hemel Hempstead Micklem Nash Mills Pixies Hill South Hill St Roses Two Waters	Bovingdon Chaulden Infants Chaulden Juniors Gade Valley George Street Great Gaddesden JFK Kings Langley School Sarratt St Cuthbert Mayne St Pauls Chipperfield St Roses The Laureate
Network 3	Network 4
Astley Cooper Aycliffe Drive Belswains Brookwood Flamsted Village School Gaddesden Row Hobletts Manor Infants Hobletts Junior Holtsmere Infants Holtsmere Juniors Kings Langley Primary Maple Grove St Albert the Great Yewtree	Adeyfield Broadfield Chambersbury Hammond Hobbs Hill Wood Jupiter Free School Leverstock Green Lime Walk Longdean Marykate Village The Reddings Tudor

### **Local High Needs Funding Panel dates 2021-22**

The dates below are for next two LHNF panels and application submission dates:

Day	Date	Time	Papers due
Thursday	16.06.2022	10am	26.05.2022
Tuesday	12.07.2022	10am	28.06.2022

Please email password protected application forms to [dspl8lhnfpanel@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl8lhnfpanel@kls.herts.sch.uk)

### **ISL SEND Duty and SEND Advice Lines**

#### **Statutory SEND Team (for queries about your EHCP)**

This academic year our SEND Duty lines will be available:

**9am - 5.30pm Monday - Wednesday, and 9am – 4:30pm Fridays.**

**East Herts, Broxbourne Welwyn and Hatfield - 01992 588562**

[easthertsbroxbourne.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:easthertsbroxbourne.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**North Herts and Stevenage - 01438 843758**

[northhertsstevenage.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:northhertsstevenage.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**St Albans and Dacorum - 01442 453 300**

[stadsendteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:stadsendteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**Watford, Three Rivers and Hertsmere - 01442 454012**

[watfordthreerivers.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:watfordthreerivers.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

#### **Specialist advice lines**

**Educational psychology advice line**  
**01992 588 574 Wednesdays 2pm - 4.30pm**

**Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD)**  
**01442 453 920 (term time only) Thurs, 9.30am - 12pm**

**Speech, Language, Communication and autism Needs (SLCA)**  
**01442 453 920 (term time only) Tues and Weds, 1.30pm - 4pm**

**Early years (0 - 5)**  
**01442 453 920 (term time only) Weds 9am - 12pm and Thurs 1.30pm - 4pm**

**Physical and neurological impairment team (PNI)**  
**01442 453 920 (term time only) Mondays, 1.30pm - 4pm**

**West team Attendance Duty**  
**01442 454 778 Monday –Friday 9:30am-4pm**

**Education Support for Medical Absence (ESMA)**  
**01442 454 802 (school hours, term time only)**  
[esmaenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:esmaenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**Children and young people's therapy services**  
**(Advice from occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech and language therapists)**  
**01923 470680 – select Option 3 for the therapy service. Callers then choose to use the service Advice Line (select 1) or to speak to an administrator (select 2).**  
**Or email [hct.cyptherapies1@nhs.net](mailto:hct.cyptherapies1@nhs.net).**

Please feel free to share this email with any relevant colleagues.

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