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Schools reopening:
support for children with SEND
16 December, 16.00 GMT

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Free webinar

Dear colleagues,

This is a very special issue of our **#English4U** newsletter!

Next 3 December is the **International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD)**, determined by the World Health Organisation to celebrate "a day for all" and to reflect a growing understanding that disability  is part of the human condition.

For the **British Council**, this is a very important date since our work worldwide is based on key values as equality, inclusion, and diversity.

Given the current circumstances due to pandemic  we would like to share with you some tips and resources to support and assist students with **special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)**, who may be even more vulnerable to the new challenges we face:

[How teachers can help learners with dyslexia?](#)

[How teachers can recognize and help children with autism?](#)

Also, we would like to invite you to join our free webinar “**Schools reopening: support for children with SEND**” on **Wednesday 16 December from 11am to 12 (Cuba time)** to find out how schools around the world are reopening with new adaptations in place and how is this affecting children with SEND.

Hope you can come on board!

[British Council Cuba](#)

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What's new?

Have you ever wondered how to integrate global issues in a creative English language classroom? Well, this practical resource we share provides innovative ideas for teaching while raising awareness of the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals** and addressing these key issues. The publication is available for download in pdf format and the activities include enabling students to think about sustainable food and food supplies, creating energy which does not harm the environment, and collaborating with other students globally to diminish the digital divide.

Partners & friends

Join the biggest ELT conference in Latin America! In February 2021, together with our colleagues from British Council Mexico, we will **celebrate 30 years since BBELT was launched** in 1991. This will be a Special (Online) Edition for the region and an opportunity to celebrate together and look back at techniques and theories we learnt during these years, reflect on experiences and results and then look to the future and our changing practices and needs. If you want to be a BBELT speaker, send your application by **Sunday 6 December 2020**.

Highlights

We are pleased to share with our subscribers that the Ministry of Education in Cuba (MINED) and the British Council have signed a new **Cooperation Agreement** to continue strengthening joint actions around the teaching and learning of English as a second language in the country. It acknowledges that, present and future collaboration will take place mainly on **virtual scenarios**, given the current Covid-19 pandemic. The document also seeks to include audio-visual creation as part of the curricular activities from early childhood, based on the experience of our Cámara Chica Project.

[Get the practical resource pack!](#)

[Would you like to be a BBELT Speaker?](#)

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Our aim is that as many people as possible benefit from this initiative. For this reason, we would like to know if you have any **special visual or hearing needs**, and if so, please specify what changes would be required (lighter, darker, larger letters, in another colour, fewer texts, more or less audio content, among other).

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