

O.C.C. Therapy

On Call Children's Therapy Network



Blast into Learning

Developing the skills necessary for learning in early primary school



What is the purpose of the group?

Occupational therapy groups are designed to supplement classroom teaching, and allow teachers to continue with the curriculum while ensuring no student falls through the gaps. This group aims to address the underlying skills necessary for learning for students who may benefit from more intensive opportunities for learning. The program is altered to meet the needs of the students in each group. It focuses on *attention, handwriting and fine motor skills*.

Example of topics addressed

- Correct posture and pencil grasp
- Automaticity of writing, including reversals or learning letters
- Handwriting legibility, including writing on the lines, spacing, letter formation
- Handwriting speed, both slow and rushed writers
- Attention and concentration, including self checking
- Cutting and fine motor skills
- Self esteem

How does this differ to what is taught in the classroom?

This program aims to target students who require additional support to master certain skills. It provides an opportunity for more intensive practice, in a manner targeted to the student's individual needs. It does not aim to replace what is taught in the classroom, but to supplement this learning for students who have not yet mastered certain skills or have difficulties maintaining sufficient attention for learning.

Cost and eligibility

- Groups of 3-4 students with similar abilities.
- \$80 per student for 8 sessions, including a progress report at the completion of the program
- Held at school, either before school or during an appropriate time during the school day

How to refer a student

Please register your details at admin@occtherapy.com.au or call 0411 377 690 to discuss this further. We look forward to speaking with you soon.