

## ASDAN PSD Programmes and Qualifications

Over the last thirty years, [ASDAN Education](#) has developed a sophisticated methodology that supports and enables the personal development of young people, at all ability levels, for all ages.

ASDAN resources, in the form of curriculum programmes and stand alone qualifications, work particularly well with learners with special needs and disabilities.

ASDAN's Personal Progress and Towards Independence learning programmes can be tailored to individual learner needs, with units selected that build the social skills at the heart of good communication with peers and members of the wider community. A Diploma in Life Skills is available as a substantive qualification outcome.

CoPE (ASDAN's Certificate of Personal Effectiveness, available at Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3) has a proven impact on academic performance as well. A recent UWE report found that the chances of learners with SEN achieving a "C" at GCSE English was significantly higher for students studying CoPE.

### LINK TO RESOURCES

<a href="#">Preparatory Awards</a>	<a href="#">Personal Progress</a>
<a href="#">Life Skills Challenge</a>	<a href="#">ASDAN Resources</a>

<b>ANTICIPATE</b>	
ANTICIPATE- raise awareness and level of social skills	
<b>QUICK WIN or MEDIUM / LONG TERM?</b>	MT- medium term <b>M/LTG</b>
<b>PHASE</b>	ALL <b>ALL</b>
<b>WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE SAY</b>	Look beyond an incident, enable young people to understand each other and work to develop a friendship or mutually agreed solutions; negative impact of use of disablist language Help YP with SEND to understand some of their own behaviours could be interpreted
<b>WHAT PARENTS SAY</b>	Have a positive school-wide ethos towards all forms of disability running awareness sessions on different types of disabilities and the behaviours associated with them, and encouraging a better understanding of how and why different people behave in different ways; bringing in experts, role models, getting students to study famous people with disabilities.
<b>WHAT RESEARCHERS SAY</b>	"Some schools fail to promote friendship opportunities; fail to teach social and communication skills..." "Where there are limited opportunities for developing friendship groups, there are reduced opportunities to learn social skills, and the risk of bullying increases"
<b>COST RESOURCE</b>	There is an annual fee to join the ASDAN network. ASDAN staff will lead training and development activities, either through in-school training or through national events.
<b>RELATED STRATEGIES</b>	