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## Supporting Autistic Students in Inclusive Schools

Join Dr Paula Kluth LIVE in Australia for this unmissable professional development opportunity.

With 5 East Coast locations and a livestream option, this is your chance to learn from one of the very best.

In this interactive workshop, participants will learn practical ways of supporting students on the spectrum in inclusive classrooms. Topics addressed include autistic voices, providing content-based communication supports, 'leaning in' to student fascinations, and creating community in the classroom.

This workshop includes video clips of positive practices, stories of success, collaborative activities, teacher-tested ideas, and research on autism and inclusion. Come for the professional development opportunities and stay for the microphone made of glitter, story about a heavymetal IEP meeting, and whale-themed headpiece.

### **DR PAULA KLUTH**

**9th September - Townsville** The Ville

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### PROGRAM

8:30 - 9:00 - Registration

9:00 - 10:30 Communication & Curriculum

10:30 - 11:00 - Morning Tea

11:00 - 12:30 'Just Give Him the Whale' -Supporting Students with Special Interests

12:30 - 1:00 - Lunch \***Meet & Greet book signing** 

1:00 - 1:30 GUEST SPEAKER: Yenn Purkis, autistic and non-binary advocate and author \*virtual presentation

1:30 - 2:30 Community in the Classroom: Social Supports for All

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### **WORKSHOP CONTENT**

# Session 1: Communication & Curriculum presented by Dr Paula Kluth

One of the most critical elements of successful inclusion is ensuring students have access to communication. Further, communication supports need to help learners access academics, interact with peers, and participate in the routines of the classroom. This session explores strategies related to communication and provides guidance for communication partners of autistic students.

### Session 2: "Just Give Him the Whale": Special Interests in the Inclusive Classroom

#### presented by Dr Paula Kluth

Ceiling fans, cell phones, Elvis, kangaroos, the planets, game shows, weather, elevators, trains, Disney movies, and the Titanic---we will explore how these and other special interests can be used to support students, connect them to learning standards, comfort them, and inspire new classroom experiences.

#### Session 3: GUEST SPEAKER: Yenn Purkis, autistic and non-binary advocate and author

Autistic advocate and author Yenn Purkis will present on autistic identity including the concept of autism as a culture (including autistic expression such as stimming and passionate interests and ways of identifying). Yenn will also cover masking and the impact of self-acceptance and inclusion on the mental health of autistic people.

# Session 4: Community in the Classroom presented by Dr Paula Kluth

In this final session, social strategies will be explored (e.g., social skill slam book, classifieds) and ideas for creating community in the classroom will be shared. Teaching social skills to ALL students in the inclusive classroom is a focus of this session.

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