

# What is Dyslexia?

Dyslexia is a neurological condition affecting a person's ability to read, write, and spell fluently. It is not a problem with reading and writing backwards, as some people think. Dyslexia affects approximately 1 out of every 5 people, many of whom have high average or better intellectual abilities. With the number of students at Mt. Bethel, that means we could have almost 200 students with this condition and some may not even know it.

## **If your child does any of the following:**

- Misreads small words like “on, in, at, the, no and an”
- Has trouble sounding out words
- Reads slowly or mechanically
- Can't remember what he/she has read when through
- Makes the same reading errors over and over
- Has trouble spelling or leaves out sections of a word when writing
- Reverses, omits or adds letters when writing or reading
- Becomes upset when asked to read, especially reading homework

Then your child may have a reading problem that is getting in the way of their school success.

Come find out what Dyslexia is and isn't and how you can help students who aren't “natural readers”. **Dr. Libby Turner** is a licensed clinical psychologist in private practice who provides psychological testing for the identification of learning differences. She will also provide parents with a “Dyslexia Roadmap” to guide parents from “hunch”, to identification, to intervention, and finally reading and writing success.

***Please join us for this FREE and informative presentation.***

**When: Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Where: Merchants Walk Library Conference Room**

**Time: 12:00 – 2:00 pm**

Please RSVP to Kari Squire at [2ndvp@mtbethelpta.org](mailto:2ndvp@mtbethelpta.org) (put Dyslexia as the subject) so that we can make sure we have enough handouts.