

# NEW-IAM SCYPS OT TEAM

## KICKS OFF FOOTBALL GROUP WITH HACKNEY, TOWER HAMLETS OT TEAMS & LEYTON ORIENT FOOTBALL CLUB

The Occupational Therapy Service for Children has officially kicked off the Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD) Football Group on 30th October 2023, which lasted for 6 consecutive Monday sessions and successfully ended on 04th December 2023.

This is the first time that the local children's OT Team has worked collaboratively with the other Occupational Therapy Teams of Hackney and Tower Hamlets and Leyton Orient Football Club. It has been a monumental experience for all of the children and young people with DCD and their families to partake into this amazing journey and unleash their fullest potential in playing football with their peers.



The football coaches from Leyton Orient FC have received training from the Occupational Therapists on how to embed the Cognitive Orientation to daily Occupational Performance (CO-OP) approach into the football sessions which is the leading evidence based practice for children with DCD.

We have received positive feedback and learning experiences with the children and young people, families, staff and coaches throughout the duration of the football group sessions.

The football group is up and running again for its 2nd cohort of children and young people which started on 21st February 2024 and would be ending on 27th March 2024 at Langdon Park School.

For further information regarding the role of **Occupational Therapy in Developmental Coordination Disorder**, kindly direct to our website through the below mentioned link:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/scyps/our-services/occupational-therapy/developmental-coordination-disorder>

