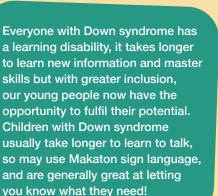




backgrounds.







You may never have met anyone with Down syndrome and may be unsure how to react, what to say or to do... the bottom line is that our children are not that different to yours... they need to be loved and cared for. They are more alike than different to other children; they want to have friends, to belong, to be

Down syndrome is a naturally occurring

genetic difference caused by an extra

syndrome are born in every country to

parents of all ages, races, religions and

chromosome. Babies with Down

Whilst people with Down syndrome share some common physical characteristics, each is a unique individual with their own strengths and weaknesses, own character and personality, all influenced by their families, friends and life - just like the rest of us.

included and to enjoy life.

You may be nervous or unsure about inviting a child with Down syndrome or indeed any learning disability to play at your home or to a party, please don't be – have a chat with their parents or teacher, and you'll find there's nothing to be worried about.

With your help we can ensure all our children grow up in a caring and inclusive society that embraces and accepts diversity.

If you'd like to understand a little more about Down syndrome, please read some of our stories on our website. You can also access an online copy of our book #NobodyToldMe the truth about Down syndrome. If you know anyone who is expecting a baby with Down syndrome or is a new parent we'd love to hear from them, so please share our details.





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