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New Year 2024 President's Report

Throughout the past year, LDAK pursued its mandate of delivering information and services and representing the community in Kingston. We had an active and successful year! We offered webinars on Neurodiversity and Mental Health Supports at school and at home, held our annual Speak Up for Ability forum, and worked on updating our website to bring it into line with the most up-to-date accessibility standards. **LDAK will be launching the updated site in late January** (fingers crossed), with many thanks due to our volunteers and staff for steering us through this daunting process. LDAK participated in several committees at the Limestone School Board as well as collaborating with other organizations to promote equitable education for students with learning disabilities.

As we head into 2024, we are feeling pretty optimistic about the education landscape in Kingston. Local school boards are working to integrate a Science of Reading literacy curriculum and innovative programming that promotes inclusion and positive mental health in every school and classroom. We intend to hold course, offering free educational events to the community and gathering and disseminating information about developments that affect the lives of people living with learning disabilities.

Please check out our website and keep an eye on it for notifications of upcoming events such as our **January 11th webinar on Writing and Self-Confidence**.

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year!

Helen Simson, LDAK President