

Additional Needs Newsletter - Lent Term 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't quite believe we are already over half way through this half term. It's gone so fast!

Please don't forget that you can access your child's SEND plan at any time during the school year to look at their current targets, any provisions they may be involved in or to simply send a message regarding this to your child's class teacher.

This plan is available via our online system, Edukey via <https://edukeyapp.com/parent>

Please do ask your child's class teacher for your log on details, should you need them resetting.

Alternatively, you can always use the class email address to contact your child's teacher to address any concerns or stions you may have. Please use your child's class number followed by @stgeorges.derby.sch.uk.

For example: For Class 3, please use class3@stgeorges.derby.sch.uk

As always, we are here to work with you and so if you have anything you would like to discuss or change with regards to your child's targets in between your review meetings, please discuss this with the class teacher.

How can I contact the SENCO regarding concerns about my child?

If you have any concerns about your child's progress, in the first instance, please speak to your **child's class teacher and/or the SENDCo**. We will always listen and work with you to support your child in whatever way we can. If you would like a meeting, please ring the school office on 01332 766815 or email senco@geo.srscmat.co.uk.

Where can I go for further support?

If you live in Derby City, you can access their local offer [here](#)...

If you live in Derbyshire, you can access their local offer [here](#)...

Alternatively, you can contact an independent advice service, [SENDIASS](#) for Derby City and [DIASS](#) for Derbyshire.

As I mentioned in Advent's newsletter, SEND provision is of the utmost importance throughout school. This year, in particular, we are having a large focus on effective adaptation within the classroom (how we can adapt things in the classroom to enable pupils with SEND to better access the curriculum).

All staff received training in the Advent term on effective adaptations to lessons to allow all children to access the learning as independently as possible, developed from the latest research there is. I'm pleased to say that this training was incredibly well received and is proving to be highly effective across school, in all areas of our curriculum.

SEND training continues during the INSET day after February half term, where all staff will receive tailored training, delivered by the St Ralph Sherwin CMAT as well as in house training about ADHD. I look forward to this day as I know it will be highly informative and will contribute further to the high-quality teaching across school.

As I strive to further enhance the provision we have at St George's for children with SEND, I welcome your contributions on our successes and areas we could improve further.

Could I please ask you to complete my latest parent survey by following this link:

<https://forms.gle/CrdGVSwjWBqENia16>

Please do continue to share any information with regards to updates for your children, for example medical appointments or letters received from professionals or agencies. This really does help us to support your children as best as we possibly can in school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes, Mrs Holmes (SENDCo)

SEN Support			
Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) Support sessions			
A parent support service delivered by Autism Champions for parents/carers of children with Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC). These sessions will give you an opportunity to talk to an ASC Champion, gain information and support and discover local sources of support (including Umbrella, SENDIASS and Local Offer). We now offer a blended service, appointments will be either face-to-face sessions or 1-1 telephone support. Please ring to book.			
Mondays	8 Jan, 5 Feb and 4 Mar	9:30-11:30am	Osmaston Allenton
Tuesdays	16 Jan, 20 Feb and 19 Mar	1-4pm	Becket
Wednesdays	10 Jan, 14 Feb and 13 Mar	9:30-11:30am 9:30-11:30am	Derwent Mackworth Morley

Movement And Sensory Space Masses



'Relaxed' Mass specially adapted
for those with sensory needs

Sundays at 2pm on

January 28th 2024

March 10th 2024

May 26th 2024

July 14th 2024

Holy Family Church
108 Blenheim Drive, Allestree
DE22 2LG

All welcome 😊

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