

SEND NEWSLETTER

December 2023

Open Sessions

I like to offer parents a few open sessions where you can come in and speak to me about your child and any additional needs. In the New Year these will be on:

Friday 12th January: 9-10am

Monday 15th January: 2-3pm



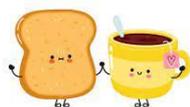
Tea and Toast SEND Meeting

My apologies this hasn't taken place before breaking up – I ran out of time! I have set a date for the New Year

TUESDAY 23RD JANUARY 2024

Tea and toast will be served to you and the children from 8:30-9am.

Children will then go into class to start their learning and the adults will be able to have another hot drink and discuss any issues/concerns they may have in a relaxed and supportive environment. I have invited a couple of outside agencies to join us, I'll confirm these nearer the time.



New Diagnosis - Autism

Receiving a diagnosis of autism for a child, sibling or family member can be a confusing time. You may be seeking more information about what this means for the individual and their future. Or you may simply want to know how you can help.

Have a look at the link:

<https://www.beyondautism.org.uk/courses/an-introduction-to-autism-a-course-for-parents-families-and-carers/>

This is a free course for parents providing an overview of autism, and looking into sensory needs, communication and behaviour.

SEND Parent Working Group

I hope you have all managed to have a glance at the SEND Review from Darren Morris praising Oakwood Junior School on their SEND provision. One of the actions I discussed with Mr Morris was to set up a SEND Parent Working Group. My idea for this group is for them to support me in the running of the coffee mornings, provide a voice for parents who have children with additional needs (as I want to encourage greater participation) and be a supportive blanket for those parents who are struggling with the SEND provision/knowledge. I am looking for people who can:

- Commit to a meeting once a half term
- Be able to look at the SEND provision for the benefit of all parents (not just for your child)
- Be happy to offer support to other parents, if needed

If you think you would like to join us please do message me privately. I look forward to hearing from you. I may even approach you! Merry Christmas.