

News from the SENCo



What a different return to school term this has been! Despite it's challenges, we have all been so impressed with how the children have taken to the changes and are having such fun again learning with their teachers and being with their friends. We do also understand though that for some children with SEND, this term has been more difficult than usual and I would like to take this time to thank the many parents working along-side us to support their child in these new and uncertain times.

I would also like to thank you all for all your well wishes for bump and I! I will be based at school (with some days working from home) until Christmas and then will be off on Maternity leave, but I will leave all the SENCo jobs in safe hands and Clare will be in touch next term to let you know who will take my SENCO capacity from me whilst I am off. We are also very lucky to have a new teacher starting after half term, Miss Fidler, who will cover my teaching role.

Interventions

New interventions started this term and will run until Christmas. If your child is on the SEN register, the interventions your child is in would have been discussed in your SEND meeting and you will find these on the red box on your child's pupil passport or next to their targets if they have a Bristol Support Plan.

If your child is not on the SEND register then your child's teacher will share with you any interventions that they are in this term with you at parents evening in a few weeks time.



If your child has a special need or disability and you are looking for clubs and activities to do over half term the local offer website has some great ideas and activities that might be of interest to you:

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/web/bristol-local-offer/days-out-for-children-and-young-people-with-send>

Communication

SEN newsletters are sent out on the last week of every term.

The SENCo email is

SENCo@oasismarksburyroad.org

If you would like an appointment, please ring the office or email the above address.

If you have questions about your child's support, please ask to speak to your class teacher in the first instance.

Advice and Support

If your child has **autism** and you would like any support and/or advice from the Bristol Autism Team this year their hotline email address is: Bristol.Autism.HotLine@bristol.gov.uk

If you have a child under 5 (even if they are a sibling of your child in school) and you would like support with your **parenting** you can now self request Family Support Services in Bristol Children's Centres. Please email the SENCO email address if you would like the self referral forms or visit <https://www.southbristolcc.org.uk/> for more details. Your child does not need to have SEND to access this support.

This term we are trying to ensure all children are in school on time (by the time the register closes after the staggered drop off) . If you are finding it hard to ensure your child is in school ready to start lessons by at least 9:00am, then please contact the SENDCo email address and I will support you to try and ensure your child is in school on time. Coming in on time and having time to settle and start the day is so important for all of our children.

Contact us anytime...



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