

SEND NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 1 2022

Welcome

Welcome to the first Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) newsletter.

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep in touch with the families of our young people with SEND, to keep you informed of updates, and to share information for further support.

We hope you find the newsletter helpful and we would be interested to hear ways for the school and families to work together going forward.

Dyslexia Awareness Week October 3rd - 9th

Some characteristic traits:

- Difficulty with accurate and fluent word reading and spelling
- Difficulties recognising sounds and how they make up words
- Difficulties with verbal memory i.e the types of sounds that constitute speech

Where to find support:

British Dyslexia Association

www.bdadyslexia.org.uk

The Dyslexia-SpLD Trust

www.thedyslexia-spldtrust.org.uk

Famous people with dyslexia:

- Maggie Aderin-Pocock
- Muhammad Ali
- Simone Biles
- Steven Spielberg
- Whoopi Goldberg
- Walt Disney
- Jamie Oliver



Mark your diary

October 3rd Dysgraphia Awareness Day

October 3rd - 9th Dyslexia Awareness Week

October 19th Year 7 Settling In Evening (for all students) 4.30-6.30 pm

November 4th SEND Families' Breakfast
8.45-9.30 am, 1 Shernhall Street, E17 3EA.

Parent and Carer Voice

- Weekly SEND surgery for staff and families each Thursday 3.30-5.30pm. Email Mrs Kean to book a.kean@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk
- SEND Breakfast each half term for parents and carers of all students with SEND
- Google feedback form <https://forms.gle/9PFX8fNUx1St1KZd8>
- Each student with SEND has a Pupil Passport. Your child's link member of staff will contact you to gather your views and share with all staff.

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Waltham Forrest Local Offer

The Local Offer is the central information point for families with children and young people aged up to 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities.

You can contact the team by phone:
020 8496 6503/6595

or email:
senteam@walthamforest.gov.uk

The website is:
<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/local-offer-special-educational-needs-and-disability-send/about>

Pupil Passport

You will find your child's pupil passport attached to this newsletter.

A Pupil Passport is written between a young person and their link member of staff. It lists their needs, their views, and their targets.

There is also space for your views as a parent or carer. If this area is currently blank, the link staff member will be in touch with you in the coming days.

Each child on the SEND register has a link member of staff. You will find their details in the email attached. They are a key person for your child to turn to for support in school and a point of contact for you as a parent or carer.

Teachers	LSAs for Years 7, 8, 12 and 13	LSAs for Years 9, 10 and 11
Mrs Kean – SENDCO Mrs Scullion – Deputy SENDCO Ms Alderson Mrs Traoré Additional teaching responsibility Mrs Pajor Mrs Pietrzyk	Ms Brown Mrs Jones Mrs Murray Mrs Pajor Mrs Watts	Ms Barry Mr Farquhar Mrs Heath Mrs Navinan Mrs Pietrzyk Mrs Shah Mrs Thivya