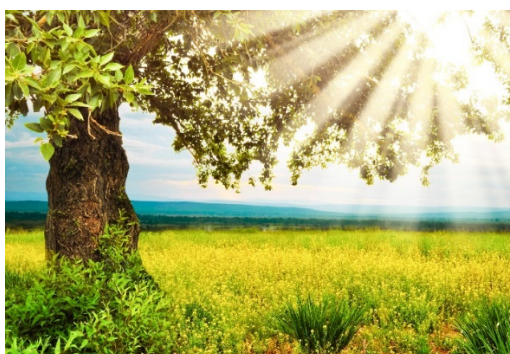




Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Newsletter

Autumn 2024



We are now well and truly back into the new school year and enjoying the Autumn celebrations in school.

I would like to say thank you to the parents who attended and helped run the parent coffee mornings in the Summer term, feedback from these sessions was very positive. We hope to get some further dates in the diary soon.

In addition to this Newsletter you can also find information on the new Parent Support page on our website: <https://www.rosherville.kent.sch.uk/our-school/parent-support/>

As always, if you have any concerns about SEND matters or simply need a chat please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at email: send@rosherville.kent.sch.uk

Kind regards
Mrs Tracy Macfarlane
Inclusion Manager



Parent courses at Ifield SMILE, Gravesend

https://www.ifielschool.com/_site/data/files/users/27/421351F206C4F5E637E0C2F5B8D38BBE.pdf

SUMMARY OF PARENT WORKSHOPS - 2024 - 2025						
Please see the Smile section on the Ifield School website for further details						
Name of Course or Programme	Date	Organiser District / Area	Course Type	Sessions	Specialist SEND Prior Knowledge	Tutors
Exploring & Improving Communication Skills	21.10.2024	Gravesham	Parent	Half day	Awareness	Julie Hawkins
Demand Avoidant Profiles in Autism	23.10.2024	Gravesham	Parent	Half day	Awareness	Claire Noordally
Makaton Workshop Level 1	11.11.2024	Gravesham	Parent	1 day	Awareness	Kirsty Jewell, Speech & Language
Starting the Autism Journey	19.11.2024	Gravesham	Parent	Half day	Awareness	Helen Cottage
Basics for Behaviour	16.12.2024	Gravesham	Parent	Half day	Awareness	Jason Owen
Autism in the Early Years & Educational Psychologist Training	5 sessions 24/01/2025 28/02/2025 21/03/2025	Gravesham	Parent	5 sessions	Awareness	Early Years Specialist
Makaton Workshop Level 1	03.03.2025	Gravesham	Parent	1 day	Awareness	Kirsty Jewell, Speech & Language
Anxiety & Autism	25.03.2025	Gravesham	parent	Half day	Awareness	Helen Cottage
Autistic Girls - Exploring Difference	06.05.2025	Gravesham	parent	Half day	Awareness	Claire Noordally
Makaton Workshop Level 1	09.06.2025	Gravesham	Parent	1 day	Awareness	& Language Therapist



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KCC SEND Newsletter – for updates, resources and activities



You can find the latest KCC Newsletter and sign up to the mailing list
here:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs/listening-to-your-voice-and-taking-action/send-newsletter>



Self-referrals:

Kent Educational Psychology

Offers a free parent/carer consultation line with an Educational Psychologist.

The aim of this service is to provide advice and guidance to parents and carers to support children's wellbeing and learning.

Topics or areas that you may wish to discuss might include:

- Social and emotional issues
- Concerns about learning
- Family relationships
- Concerns about behaviour
- Daily routines including sleep

kepscommunitysupport@kent.gov.uk

If you would like to make use of this service please send a message to the email address above including the following information:

- your name;
- phone number;
- a convenient time to call (morning or afternoon)
- your child's education phase e.g. early years, primary school, secondary school; - a brief description of what you wish to discuss.
- the district in Kent in which you live.

We will do our best to respond within 10 working days but this is subject to availability, particularly during school holidays.



KCC Early Help (support for families)

Providing services that can be accessed at a time and place that suits families to help them to do well, stay safe and resolve problems at the earliest possible opportunity, before they become more serious.

Early Help means taking action to support a child, young person or their family early in the life of a problem or as soon as it emerges.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/early-help-support-for-families>

Kent School Health



Kent Community Health
NHS Foundation Trust

Kent School Health support children and young people aged four to nineteen.

They can help with a range of issues young people might face including:

- toileting
- sleep
- behaviour
- healthy lifestyle
- puberty and growing up
- emotional health and wellbeing

Parents can find further information on services offered and complete an online referral form here:

<https://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/service/school-health/>



OTHER USEFUL WEBSITES

<https://www.iask.org.uk/> free, impartial and confidential information, advice and support about special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) for children, young people up to age 25, parents and carers in Kent.

<https://www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/parents> to support all autistic children to reach their full potential.

<https://www.autismsoutheast.co.uk/info/local-services-organisations/> a great source of information and events supporting autistic adults, children and their families.

<https://wearebeams.org.uk/> for information for parents and carers to help them make the best choices for their child.

<https://adhd.foundation.org.uk/> for people who live with ADHD, Autism, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia, Dyscalculia and Tourette's syndrome.

<https://www.ifieldschool.com/page/?title=SMILE&pid=11> for information and advice on understanding autism, ADHD, dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia, language and communication difficulties, Downs syndrome and behaviour management.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs> for KCC information, advice and support for families with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), aged 0-25.

www.kentcht.nhs.uk/childrens-therapies-the-pod/ for details on resources and links for physiotherapy, occupational therapy and speech and language from the NHS.

www.kentcht.nhs.uk/service/school-health/counselling-and-emotional-health/ for mental health and well-being services from the NHS.

<https://kentresiliencehub.org.uk/> helping to understand wellbeing and resilience

<https://childmind.org/article/sensory-processing-issues-explained/>