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WREN PARK SPOTLIGHT ON SEND

WELCOME

Welcome to the first edition of 'Wren Park Spotlight on SEND. This newsletter is being sent to you as you are the parent or carer of a child in school who currently has SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities). This newsletter is designed to keep you up to date with what is happening in school, provide information and to help you seek further support if you need it.



WHAT IS SEND?

SEND (or Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) is a very broad category which is used for those children who may need some extra support in school, at differing levels. There are 4 categories (Areas of Need) into which SEND is divided:

- Communication and Interaction
- Cognition and Learning
- Social, Emotional and Mental Health
- Sensory and/or Physical

If your child is on our SEND Register, they will be set specific targets, related to their area of need, and will have some extra support from their class teacher or a teaching assistant to help meet these targets. These are reviewed at least 3 times a year and parents will be invited in to discuss their child's progress for these. Sometimes, children need a little extra support from outside agencies; if at school we feel this would be beneficial, we will speak with yourselves as parents and decide together the best course of action. Every child is unique and the support they receive is tailored to them; some children need a short burst of support while others may need more sustained support throughout their time at Wren Park. We always endeavour to provide what children need in the moment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your child's class teacher in the first instance; they are always happy to help and to talk through your child's progress, strengths and areas of need.

WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE A QUESTION OR CONCERN ABOUT MY CHILD?

In the first instance, you should always speak with your child's class teacher. They are with your child all week and are best placed to talk to you about your child. If you feel you would like to meet with them, please speak to them to arrange a meeting or phone the school office and ask to make an appointment to talk with them.

Please take a look at our school website, which has copies of our SEND Policy and SEND School Information Report which will also provide information for you about how support for SEND is implemented in school.

If, after talking with your child's class teacher, you feel you need to discuss things further you can contact our school SENDCo who will make time to meet with you or speak to you on the phone.

WHO IS THE SENDCO AT WREN PARK?

Mrs Pettit is our school SENDCo. Her role is to coordinate SEND provision for all pupils across school and to support class teachers and TAs in delivering high quality, adapted lessons and interventions for children with SEND.

Mrs Pettit is usually on the school gates in the morning and afternoons. Please come and say hello. If you need to contact Mrs Pettit, you can call the school and ask to speak with her or you can email senco@wrenpark.derby.sch.uk with your questions or concerns.

WREN PARK SEND SUPPORT PADLET

On our school website, Mrs Pettit has created a padlet which has lots of useful videos, internet links and documents that can be a source of help and support for you as parents of a child with SEND. Please go to our website and have a look. If you have anything you would like information on that isn't already on the padlet or you know of some other useful sites and resources, please let Mrs Pettit know and these can be added to help you and other families who may be looking for support or advice. The link to the padlet is below.

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MEP REVIEW MEETINGS

This term there will be another MEP review meeting with your child's class teacher. These will be held the weeks of 15th and 22nd May. This newsletter should be sent to you alongside the Review Meeting letters with the date for your child's meetings.