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St Mary's SEND NEWSLETTER: Tuesday 21st March 2023

From the SEND Team

Welcome to the 2nd edition of the St Mary's SEND Newsletter.

The Easter holidays are nearly upon us, but in the last week of term we will be celebrating **Autism Acceptance Week**, encouraging our community to embrace autistic people and their families.

We will be sharing this video in our Collective Worship on all sites on Monday 27th March – if you have any concerns about your child's inclusion at this time, please get in touch with your SENCO.

Amazing Things Happen:
<https://youtu.be/Ezv85LMFx2E>

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SEND Parent Coffee Morning

Richmond Young Carers

Our next coffee morning will be on **Wednesday 24th May at 9:15am** on our Middle Site on Stratford Road. We will have visiting speakers from Richmond Young Carers, who will hold a parent workshop explaining the support for young carers and sibling carers.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Register

Please find out more about the local authority's central SEND register on the link below.

Everyone on the register will benefit from:

- Information about support, services, activities and events
- Information aimed at young people with disabilities
- Opportunities to have your say about the services that are important to you
- The knowledge that your anonymous statistical data is helping us to plan and improve services

You can register if you have a child on the SEN Register and you live in Richmond or Kingston.

<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/social-care/special-educational-needs-and-disability-register>

Marble Hill Playcentres

SENsational Saturday Club

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Marble Hill Playcentres run monthly free sessions at the Adventure Playground for children with disabilities or additional needs.



The next events Saturday 1st April and Saturday 13th May from 10-11:45am.

<https://marblehillplaycentres.com/sensational-saturday-club/>

Skylarks Events



Local SEN Charity, Skylarks, are running horse-riding sessions for children with additional needs at Easter. They are booking up quickly. There are also sibling carer sessions available – Wellies and Well-being for siblings. Follow this link to find out more and about all the wonderful things available through Skylarks.

<https://www.skylarks.charity/whats-on>

Skylarks are also running an Online Girl Connect Support group for parents of girls with ASD on Thursday 23rd March at 8-9:30pm with guest speaker, Charlotte Flack talking about wellbeing and emotional regulation.

ADHD Embrace



ADHD Embrace run excellent webinars and other events for parents and carers of children with ADHD:

[Dyslexia and co-occurrence with ADHD](#)

28th March from 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Eryn Caddick, Specialist Assessor, SENCo and Teacher at Dyslexia Assessment. Surbiton

[Book now](#)

May 2023

[How Occupational Therapy can support children with ADHD](#)

2nd May, 2023 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Europe/London

Charlotte O'Reilly, Director OT Play & Children's Occupational Therapist

[Book now](#)

Brentford FC



Brentford FC Community Sports Trust and Action Attainment work together on an array of programmes, including "On the Ball," football coaching and parent workshops to celebrate neuro-diversity.

<https://www.brentfordfcst.com/neurodiversity-celebration-week-2023/>

Parent Voice

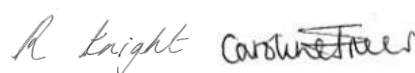
We are already underway with our Spring Term Learning Profile meetings. We would welcome any feedback. Please look out for an email towards the end of this term to complete our SEND Parent Survey.

We would love to hear more from the voices of parents of children with SEND on the Parentview questionnaire.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Yours sincerely

Ruth Knight and Caroline Freer

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