

THE BRENTSIDE SEN BULLETIN

The Termly SEN Newsletter

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WELCOME

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to our first edition of the Brentside SEN Bulletin, our new termly SEN Newsletter.

SEN Newsletters will be a place where we share tips and strategies when working with your child. It will also be a place where we keep you informed of all things SEN at Brentside!

This first term has been very successful, and we are so proud of our pupils for settling in and already making progress in so many areas.

As the year goes on, please keep an eye out on SchoolPing for upcoming events such as coffee mornings, which are very informative!

Priya O'Leary- SENDCo

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE TIPS OF THE TERM

Early Years: Use more statements than questions. This models language. For example:

Do: "I see that you are drawing a tree."
Don't: "What are you drawing?"

Older Kids: Take time to make learning fun this holiday. Following and creating recipes is a perfect way to practice sequencing and descriptive writing- which are important skills to have.

ATTENDANCE

Did you know that attendance rates are directly related to outcomes of pupils? It is important that all pupils are in each day!

Average Attendance of pupils with SEN: 92.15%

Let's bring this up!

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN PUPIL TARGET SETTING

Partnership between school and home is something that we value very strongly. We believe that the outcomes of pupils are improved when they are supported by parents and teaching staff equally.

This term, we consulted with parents/guardians regarding how they would like to be involved in the setting of their children's Pupil Passport targets. It was decided that parents would receive a questionnaire at the beginning of each term so that they have a voice in this process.

By now, you will have received a copy of your child's Autumn SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time bound) targets. You also received a timetable of how progress is measured of pupils with SEN at BPA.

We look forward to developing next term's targets alongside you!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 28th February 2024- SEN Coffee Morning: 'Supporting Your Child's Social Skills'

MESSAGE FROM THE SEN TEAM

We have been delivering interventions such as Bucket time, Colourful Semantics, Zones of Regulation, Vocabulary groups, Social Thinking, and much more.

We enjoyed demonstrating these interventions earlier this term at a Coffee Morning, and invite you to ask us if you would like to understand more about how we support your children.

MESSAGE FROM THE SEN GOVERNOR

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Navigating the different needs of our children can be daunting and overwhelming; especially over the holidays.

I wanted to share the best advice that was ever given to me- be kind to yourself and your family. Do things at your own pace, in your own way. Aim for small wins rather than a big victory. You're doing a great job, a hard job. If you can learn to not be hard on yourself, your kids will also learn to be kinder to themselves and each other.

Best,

Aisha

SEND LOCAL OFFER



How can you access support for your child within Ealing? Check the Ealing Local Offer, or come in and visit our interactive board in our school office reception.

<https://www.ealingfamiliesdirectory.org.uk/>