



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School



SEND Newsletter

Welcome!

Welcome to our first newsletter dedicated specifically to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. We hope you find this useful for information and to keep you up to date with all the SEND News and updates that take place here at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School. If you have any suggestions of what you would like to see in future SEND newsletters, please let Mrs Steventon know.

Contact

At Our Lady's Catholic Primary School, the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator (SENDCo) is Mrs G Steventon. She can be contacted via the main office switchboard or email at: gsteventon@ol.well.olicatschools.org



SEND Registers

Here at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School, all children's needs are met using 'quality first teaching' strategies to support all learners. In some cases, some children may need a bit more support. At this point, a 'Learning Plan' will be completed and the children's needs are met with more focused support in class and specific strategies or interventions.

How are we doing?

Our children with SEND have been asked for their views on school life. 97 % of children felt that school is supportive, with 100% of children knowing who to go to for help if they are upset.

Comments included, "I think school is good because it helps you learn and it makes me feel happy." "I am happy at this school because I have friends to play with." "School is good because of playtime, lunchtime, Maths and Reading."

Areas of SEND Need

Needs are categorised into four areas, these are:

Communication and Interaction

Cognition and Learning

Social Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties

Sensory and or Physical Needs

Although these four broad areas give an overview of the range of needs that should be planned for, the purpose of identification is to work out what action we as a school need to take, not to fit a pupil into a category.

We aim to provide support to each child as an individual, based on a full understanding of their particular strengths and needs. In future newsletters, these areas will be looked at in greater detail and depth.

Northants Parent Forum Group

'A Parent Forum Group is a group of parents and carers of children with SEND who work with local authorities, education settings, health services and other providers to make sure that the services they commission, plan and deliver, meet the needs of disabled families and children.

Parent carer participation is when parents, carers and professionals all work together, recognising each other's expert knowledge to make informed decisions about children's services that make the best use of people's time and money.'

If you would like more information about the NPFPG then go to their website www.npfg.co.uk or email them at enquiries@npfg.co.uk

Concerns or Worries?

If you have concerns or worries about your child's progress, then please talk to their Class teacher in the first instance. If these concerns or worries continue, then please contact Mrs Steventon via her email address gsteventon@ol.well.olicatschools.org