SEND Newsletter—Summer 2 2025

Welcome to our half termly SEND newsletter addressing all things related to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities here at All Saints! Please check past newsletters about SEND, Dyslexia and our school Padlet on our website. This half term's newsletter is about the external professionals we work with to support children with SEND.

Who are the external professionals we work with?

At All Saints, we strive to support our children with SEND in the best ways possible and if we feel we need some further advice and support we can work with some external professionals who can meet with school staff, observe and work with children and give us further advice. Some of these professionals have waiting lists, so we may need to wait for their support and some children do not meet the criteria to be referred. Mrs Darling-Chalke is always happy to talk through the external professionals we have access to and which professionals may be able to help us.

At All Saints, we are currently working with the following professionals;



Dr Rachael Young

- **Educational Psychologist**—We have an attached EP, Rachael Young who comes and visits about once a half term to support our children with SEND. Rachel can observe and work with children 1:1 then meet with parents and the class teacher to make a plan on how to support.
- **CAMHS** (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service) - This service supports with diagnosis pathways and mental health support. There is a very long waiting list for diagnosis pathways of Autism and ADHD. Please speak to Mrs Darling-Chalke if you would like to know more about referrals to CAMHS. CAMHS also offer parenting support and hold events—these are often sent by Mrs Darling-Chalke through the school office. Visit CAMHS website more information.
- **Mental Health Support Team** (MHST)—This service supports children's wellbeing by supporting parents and offering advice. This is also a helpful service as a 'pre CAMHS' route.
- **Occupational and Physio Therapists** - This service is through the NHS, so wait times are unfortunately long. They have produced a pack of resources to use in schools called the Solent Therapy Pack—all staff at All Saints have had training on how to support while we wait for an assessment appointment.

- **Primary Behaviour Support**—This organisation can help with children's behaviour, when difficulties present in school and at home. If a child is presenting at home, they also offer a 'Well being' service. This can only be accessed through the GP but Mrs Darling-Chalke can give you a leaflet to take with you.
- **Specialist Teacher Adviser's**—These are teachers from Hampshire County Council that have a specialist area, they work with children with either a vision impairment or a hearing impairment or physical difficulties. They can also work with children in KS2 who have an EHCP for communication and interaction.
- **Speech and Language therapist**—We have an attached NHS Speech therapist called Saara Bidder, she is able to come into school once/twice a year to assess children and give advice to staff. If we want to refer children to the service, we need to hold a consultation first and then the therapist will decide if the child meets the criteria. The NHS therapists only work with children with significant speech sound difficulties. Children can only be referred after their 5th birthday once they start school.
- **School Nursing team**—Can help with difficulties with toileting, eating and sleeping, they can offer advice make plans with parents.
- **Shepherd's Down Special School**—Teachers from Shepherds Down can come and support class teachers in putting provision in place for children with complex learning difficulties.

Mrs Darling-Chalke works with all external professionals to support the children here at All Saints with SEND—we work with these professionals with permission from parents/carers and will share any professional reports with you.

All staff that work with your child also receive copies of reports and recommendations and we work together to put any suggested provision in place. Mrs Darling-Chalke keeps all reports and sends these on to secondary school/ other schools if your child moves. If you would like to learn more about external professionals or think your child would benefit from some further support please get in touch.



Mrs Darling-Chalke is our school SENDCO. She works as our SENDCO on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. If you would like to talk to her, please make an appointment with the school office.

Don't forget, past SEND newsletters can be found on our school website.

https://www.allsaintsceprimary.co.uk/send-information/

The next newsletter will be out after the summer holiday