

Travis St Lawrence CE Primary School SEND Newsletter

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Essential for some, Good for All.

Welcome

Welcome to the Travis St Lawrence's SEND newsletter.

Welcome back to the new school year. It is a time of new beginnings and new relationships building. Whether that is new children in the class or new teachers and adults to get to know. Whilst it can be exciting for some children, for others it can also be very difficult time to get used to the new routines, classes, and people. Supporting your children during this time is important both at home and at school. If you need any support with this, feel free to pop and see one of us.

Any queries or questions related to SEND can always be sent to senco@tsl.dsat.education

Mrs Gill and Miss Tembey





Outside Agency Involvement,

At Travis, we welcome many outside agencies in school to help support, and give advice to staff and families about the best ways in which we can support our children.

BOSS

The team work alongside us in school to support children who may experience behavioural difficulties or have an unmet or identified SEMH need.

ASCETS

The ASCETs team offer support in schools to enhance the learning outcomes for autistic learners or learners with SCLN difficulties.

EDUCATION PSYCHOLOGISTS

Educational Psychologists are registered health professionals who specialise in child development and learning.

WITH ME IN MIND

A team of Mental Health Support Workers (MHSW) who are based in schools, colleges and academies in Doncaster supporting children and young people with their mental health.



OCCUPATIONAL and PHYSICAL THERAPISTS

Occupational therpaists help people overcome challenges with daily activities due to illness, injury or disability. Physiotherapists are healthcare professionals who use movement and exercise to treat various physical conditions and promote recovery.

Useful links:

Doncaster Autism Service

https://www.autism.org.uk/autism-services-directory/d/doncaster-autism-service

Doncaster Parent Voice

https://www.doncasterparentsvoice.co.uk/

Doncaster Local Offer

https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/local-offer-send

SEN Awareness Days

September

15th – 21st National Inclusion Week

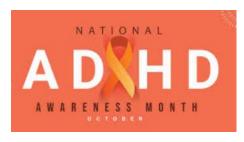
18 – 24th Occupational Health Awareness Week 23rd International Day of Sign Language

October – ADHD Awareness Month

6th World Cerebral Palsy Day 6th – 12th Dyslexia Awareness Week

9th World Sight Day

10th World Mental Health Day
20th World Osteoporosis Day
25th PoTS Awareness Day







It's not a race...it's a journey

What are.... Sensory circuits?

A Sensory circuit is a short sequence of physical activities designed to help children achieve the right level of alertness for learning by moving through three sections. They can be used in school, at home or with groups.

Purpose:

It helps to regulate children becoming more alert, settled or calm depending on their individual need. Improve focus and attention to prepare the brain for learning. Develop sensory processing skills which enhance the child's ability to process and respond to information. Supports self-regulation which aids children in managing their own emotional and sensory state.

The three stages of a Sensory Circuit:

- 1. Alerting activities: these activities increase energy levels and include activities such as jumping, bouncing, or rolling.
- 2. Organising Activities: these improve motor skills, balance and timing.
- 3. Calming activities: The circuit concludes with calming activities that help the child to stay focused.

Key Considerations:

The circuits need to be tailor made for each individual to suit their needs. They must follow the set sequence mentioned above to be effective.

Famous Person of the month... Ade Adepitan





Ade is a Nigerian – born British TV presenter and wheelchair basketball player.

When he was a child, he contracted Polio which caused damage to his legs and required him to use a wheelchair.

He moved to the UK when he was 3 years old. As he grew up he showed a passion for sport and took up basketball. He was part of the British team that played in the 2004 Summer Paralympics, securing a bronze medal.

Since retiring from sport, he has been involved in a range of charities promoting access to sport for disabled people. He gained an MBE in 2005.

Makaton Sign of the Month

Makaton is a language support system used by many children and adults with additional needs. It is closely linked to British Sign Language, although it aims to support rather than replace language.



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