

Wellingborough Parents and Carers Briefing

Welcome to our briefing for Wellingborough families.

- Does your child find it hard to concentrate at school?
- Is school providing your child with extra help in class?
- Does your child have difficulties with behaviour at home?
- Are you concerned that your child might have a special educational need or disability?
- Has there been a discussion with school about their additional needs?
- Do they have an Individual Education Plan (IEP), which has specific targets for them?

We are the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Team, and we offer support to schools so that they can help young people and their parents and carers when they are experiencing difficulties in school and home life.

In the past there has been the need for the time-consuming process of applying for an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) to get additional support in school. And EHCPs are only available to the minority of children, those who have significant SEND difficulties.

We aim to improve this by providing help to schools as early as possible and to a wider group of children. This means schools can apply and have access to the resources they need quickly. In addition, each school now has an allocated SEND Support officer who provides advice and support for children with SEND. We are also launching a Social, Emotional and Mental Health team, where schools can access support and advice from the specialist outreach team from Maplefields Special School. And we know that we have more we need to do...

Meet the Team event for parents and carers on: 6th December

We are running drop-ins in December, where the local team are looking forward to meeting with parents and carers in Wellingborough to find out how we can provide guidance and help in supporting your child. This is in particular those children who have had a special educational need identified, but they don't need to have received a formal diagnosis. We would like to find out what is really important to you and your child, and how we can work more closely together to support local families.

To meet your local team and to find out how you can get advice and support, you can join in with our parent network events. This could be dropping in to chat to an educational psychologist or advisory SEND specialist, you may want to hear from our specialist team about a range of topics, or just pop in for a coffee to talk about our plans. The first one of these events is being held in Wellingborough at:

The Wellingborough Museum

Dulley's Baths, 12 Castle Way, Wellingborough NN8 1XB

6th December 2022 @ 4:30pm - 5:30pm

To register for the event, or for more information, please contact: pamela.hobart@northnorthants.gov.uk

Please give your name and phone number with your child's name, date of birth and their school

Unfortunately, we cannot offer creche facilities. There is parking available nearby.