



St Giles CE Primary School


SEND Celebration Newsletter

Spring Term 2024



Article 2, Article 12,
Article 17, Article 23

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If you have any queries or concerns or would like to discuss anything in relation to your child, please do not hesitate to contact us via 01902 368308

WOW!

We have been very impressed with many of our children taking part in Precision Teaching this term, lots of our children are learning their sight words super quickly and so reading more fluently. Well done!

What's New?



Welcome to our spring term SEND celebration newsletter.

This edition is about communication - there are ideas for how you can help support your child to communicate; information about resources we use to support communication in school, and where to find further support.

These are some of the resources used in school to help with communication. You may see them referred to on your child's APDR.

- We use talking tins/buttons for children to record their ideas, they can then listen back before writing.



- Children have visual support such as word mats to help them remember key vocabulary they need to use.



- Communication fans can be used by children struggling to communicate needs, wants and feelings.





A Spotlight on... Speech and Language

We have Speech and Language Therapists come into school frequently to assess and work with children on a range of speech and language issues, and offer support to staff working with children. If your child is on the SALT register then you will receive reports whenever they are seen by the therapists.



There are many ways parents can help to develop their children's language skills. The graphic below gives some ideas on how to interact with your child when talking about animals, but this can be adapted for any topic.

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Forth Valley

TALK
Forth Valley
Children's Speech & Language Therapy

Let's talk... ...animals

Helping your child become a good talker is one of the most important things you can do. Today we are thinking about how we can use **animals** in play to support your child's talking.

If your child is learning to use single words

When playing with your child, talk about the animals they are interested in. This allows them to join up the words you are saying with the animal they are focusing on.

Model lots of different types of words e.g.

Names: **lion, sheep, bear**
Features: **tail, eyes**
Actions: **eat, jump, sleep**

If your child is joining words together

When your child names an object, help expand their language by adding new words. If your child says one word, model back two words.

Model lots of different types of words e.g.

Actions: The monkey's **jumping**
Describing: He's a **big** elephant
Feelings: The pig's **tired**

If your child is using sentences

Encourage your child to share ideas for play – set the scene, e.g. the animals are going on an adventure. Where will they go? What will happen when they get there?

Model and expand their language and take turns to come up with what happens next in play.

For more ideas on how to support your child, the website below has some useful links:

<https://nhsforthvalley.com/health-services/az-of-services/speech-and-language-therapy/children/language-development-advice/>



The next round of **APDR's** will be distributed in March. Please get in touch if there is anything you wish to discuss around your child's targets. **APDR** is about your child's targets and provision to help them access the curriculum.

Further help and support:

For information about SALT services in Walsall go to: <https://www.walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/speech-and-language-therapy/paediatrics/>

More information can be found at:

www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/resources/resources-for-parents/

www.talkingpoint.org.uk/directory/parentcarer-fags

Drop in Sessions



with Walsall SENDIAS

Do you have any questions about:

- What Walsall SENDIAS do?
- Education, Health and Care plans?
- The law on SEND?
- Mediation with the Local Authority?
- Appeals and Tribunals relating to SEND?
- Meetings with school?
- Where to get support?

Ask Walsall SENDIAS!

We are hosting monthly drop-in surgeries for parents, carers and young people. Please come along if you require free and impartial information or advice.

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Dates 2023 / 2024

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday 26 th September 2023	10.00am – 12.00pm	Manor Farm Community Association, King George Crescent, WS4 1EU
Friday 27 th October 2023	10.00am-12.00pm	West Locality Hub, Ilmington House, Crescent Road, Wednesbury, WS10 8AE
Wednesday 22 nd November 2023	12.30pm – 2.30pm	North Locality Hub, 275 Blakenall Heath, Blakenall, Walsall WS3 1HJ
Thursday 14 th December 2023	11.00am – 1.00pm	East Locality, 13 Silver Court, Brownhills WS8 6HA
Friday 26 th January 2024	10.00am – 12.00pm	Manor Farm Community Association, King George Crescent, WS4 1EU
Monday 19 th February 2024	4.00pm – 6.00pm	South & Central Locality Hub, Birchills Street, Walsall, WS2 8NG
Thursday 21 st March 2024	12.00pm – 2.00pm	West Locality Hub, Ilmington House, Crescent Road, Wednesbury, WS10 8AE
Friday 19 th April 2024	10.00am – 12.00pm	North Locality Hub, 275 Blakenall Heath, Blakenall, Walsall WS3 1HJ
Monday 20 th May 2024	12.00pm – 2.00pm	East Locality, 13 Silver Court, Brownhills WS8 6HA
Tuesday 18 th June 2024	1.00pm – 3.00pm	Manor Farm Community Association, King George Crescent, WS4 1EU
Monday 15 th July 2024	1.00pm – 3.00pm	Manor Farm Community Association, King George Crescent, WS4 1EU

Please don't hesitate to contact us via email at walsallsendiass@family-action.org.uk if you have any questions.

We hope to see you there!

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