



Inclusion Newsletter



Summer Term 1 2023

WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU REQUIRE FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Reigate Park Primary Academy Inclusion and supporting children with Special Educational Needs is the responsibility of all teaching and support staff. We pride ourselves on providing Quality First Teaching (QFT) for all children at Reigate.

In order to keep parents and carers up to date with what is happening in school, we will send out a half termly Inclusion Newsletter informing you of any recent developments in relation to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) as well as key information around important SEND issues.

UK's Biggest British Sign Language (BSL) Lesson

On Wednesday 15th March Reigate Park in the UK's largest BSL lesson. This was an online lesson with schools from all over the country, all our children took part and we were awarded a Certificate of Achievement for this. Well done to all the children and staff at Reigate. 😊

BSL Badge Design competition

Before Easter we held a badge design competition and asked the children to create a badge for our BSL Ambassadors.

Well done to Mya for her amazing winning entry!



Mya's badge design is currently being made into 100 badges for the school BSL Ambassadors.



Well done to Mia and Byron for coming a very close second place.



BSL Ambassadors

The BSL Ambassadors application process is still open – please don't forget to apply.

We're looking for children to:

Act as an excellent BSL role model to other children in the school and to help them to achieve the steps towards gaining their Signature approved BSL level 101 exam.

The full job description and details can be found at the bottom of this newsletter.

For any child who would like help with their application there is a drop-in session on:

Wednesday 26th April 12.00pm-12.30pm in Mrs Harrison's/Mr Heer's office.

Come and see us and we will help you with your application 😊

If you would like to speak to someone about Inclusion/Special Educational Needs, please speak to your class teacher in the first instance.

The following members of staff are responsible for supporting children with SEND throughout the school.

- Mrs. Harrison (SENCO)
- Miss Pearce
- Mr. Heer

They can be contacted via the school office, by telephone on 01332 298969 or using the email addresses:

Sharrison02@reigate.theharmonytrust.org

kpearce01@reigate.theharmonytrust.org

For more information on our Special Educational Needs Policy and our SEND Information Report please visit the school's website under the SEND tab.

For further information of the Derby City Council Local Offer please visit:
<https://www.derby.gov.uk/education-and-learning/derby-send-local-offer/>

Individual Plan Update

All children at Reigate who have Special Educational Needs have an individual target sheet known as an Individual Plan. On your child's Individual Plan there will be a maximum of three personalised targets. Staff will support your child to achieve these on a regular basis.

All children's targets are now written for the Summer Term 2023.

If your child has individual targets because they have a Special Educational Need or disability, please expect a phone call/contact from your child's class teacher before **Friday 5th May 2023**.

The class teacher will go through the previous targets and if these were achieved, as well as the new targets for the Summer Term. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Targeted Areas	Targeted Outcomes
Reading	Read with fluency and understanding
Writing	Write with accuracy and understanding
Maths	Calculate with accuracy and understanding
Science	Understand and explain scientific concepts
History	Understand and explain historical events
Geography	Understand and explain geographical features
Art	Create and explain art works
Music	Create and explain music pieces
Physical Education	Participate in physical activities
Personal, Social and Health Education	Understand and explain personal, social and health education concepts

Thank you

Thank you for taking the time to read our SEND newsletter. If you have any questions, or you would like more information to be shared through our newsletter, please contact one of the SEND Team. You can also visit the SEND section of the school's website for further information:

<http://www.reigate.theharmonytrust.org/page/send/46885>



Job description for the position of British Sign Language (BSL)

Ambassadors

Your job as a BSL Ambassador is to act as an excellent BSL role model to other children in the school and to help other children to achieve the steps towards gaining their Signature approved BSL level 101 exam.

Your role will involve one or more of the following:

- ★ Supporting other children within their classroom on a regular basis to sign using BSL.
- ★ Acting as a role model for the use of BSL throughout the school.
- ★ Supporting your peers and class teachers to assess what children already know in BSL and what they need to learn next.
- ★ Be willing to speak/sign in a whole class environment and possibly in assembly/at parents evenings and at other events throughout the school.
- ★ Running BSL activities in school/community.

In order to carry out this role you will need to work with a BSL Tutor and be willing to attend regular training with school staff.

Person Specification: your skills, knowledge and experience.

Essential things are:

- ★ You are aged 8 and above.
- ★ Have passed your BSL level 101 exam or have approval from a BSL Tutor that you are likely to pass the exam within the next month **or/and** have BSL as your first language.
- ★ You can work as part of a team and enjoy helping others.
- ★ You have an interest and passion for supporting other pupils to learn BSL.
- ★ Be willing to take part in regular training with BSL Tutors.
- ★ You are well organised and can meet deadlines.

Desirable things are:

- ★ You want to make a difference.
- ★ You want to learn new skills.

What next? If you would like to apply for a BSL Ambassador's role, please apply in writing/via signed video to Reigate Park Primary Academy's BSL Team.

Please ensure you include:

- Your full name
- Your year group
- Why you feel you meet the essential/desirable job criteria
- Any thing else you feel will support your application.

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR APPLICATION IS HANDED TO MRS HARRISON/YOUR CLASS TEACHER BY MONDAY 8TH MAY 2023. APPLICATIONS AFTER THIS TIME WILL UNFORTUNALEY NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Please email applications to: bsl@reigate.theharmonytrust.org or hand your application to your class teacher who will forward this to a member of the BSL Team.

If you would like support with your application please contact Mrs Harrison/Mrs Holt/Mrs Webster or Mrs Hubbard.