

Inclusion Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 2022

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

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

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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/>

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.

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to all Reigate Park Primary pupils and welcome to all our new families who joined us in September 2022. If you have any concerns about your child which relate to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, please don't hesitate to contact a member of the SEND Team. Contact details can be found on the left hand side of the page.

Individual Plans (IPs)

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 Autumn term 2022. The targets were written by your child's previous class teacher in order to ensure continued progression throughout the Autumn Term.

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 **new class teacher** before Friday 16th September 2022. The class teacher will go through the previous targets and if these were achieved, as well as the new targets for the Autumn Term. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

BSL Curriculum Progress

As part of our British Sign Language (BSL) trial in July 2021 ten of our Year 6 children passed their BSL 101 exam. In July 2022, thirty two children and four staff gained their BSL 101 qualification. We are very proud of all the children and staff who took part – well done to everyone.

Next steps:

After a successful full year of implementing BSL lessons across all of Key Stage Two, we are very excited to say this will continue into a full second year. All children from Y3-Y6 will continue to have a weekly lesson in BSL.

Our Key Stage One and Nursery children will also be taught BSL vocabulary through stories and songs.

We'd like to thank all parents for their continued support with the ongoing development of our BSL curriculum.

Nomination for Signature Hall of Fame

We are VERY proud to announce that Reigate Park Primary Academy has been shortlisted for the Signature Hall of Fame. We've been shortlisted from over 250 individuals and organisations into the top 50 alongside people like Rose from Strictly Come Dancing!

The nomination is for individuals and organisations who: 'recognise the deaf community and those that have helped with the progression of deaf communication since Signature became an independent organisation'.

If you'd like to take a further look, please follow the link below:

<https://www.signature.org.uk/signature-announce-shortlist-for-hall-of-fame-event/>

BSL Courses

Here is a link for Parents, Carers and Families to BSL courses with National Deaf Children's Society.

<https://www.ndcs.org.uk/our-services/our-events/events-for-parents-carers-and-families/learn-british-sign-language/>

Congratulations!

Just a quick update for all parents – we would like to say a huge congratulations to Miss Pearce who is due to start her maternity leave in October 2022. Have lots of fun Miss Pearce, we'll miss you lots.

I have now returned from maternity leave and Miss Pearce and I are currently in the handover process. Please do not hesitate to contact me via email/telephone if you have any SEND related queries: sharrison02@reigate.theharmonytrust.org

