

# Burlington Junior School

## SEND Newsletter



September 2022 - No:3

Welcome back to school. We hope you had a great Summer break and your children have settled back into the new academic year as smoothly as possible.

We will be holding our second coffee morning on **Tuesday 4th October 2022** (see attached flyer). Salli Crook from **ADHD Embrace** will be coming in, providing lots of useful information and advice regarding ADHD. For more information regarding **ADHD Embrace** please click [HERE](#)



Rob Harris from **Achieving for Children** and Linda Nystrom our parent **SEND Champion** will also be at the coffee morning.

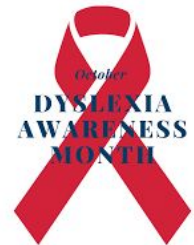
### Dates for your diary

**October is ADHD Awareness Month** - Please click [HERE](#) for more information

**Parent Workshop 'Supporting Memory' led by an Educational Psychologist**  
Thursday 10th November 22, 09.15 - 10.15: (more information to follow)

### **Autism and Anxiety Event**

Latchmere School are hosting Dean Beadle, Autism speaker and advocate, on the evening of the 19th October 2022. Attached is the [advert for the event](#) and [further information](#). Dean will be speaking about 'Autism and anxiety'.



### **SEN Parent Meetings (individual invitations will be sent to parents via their children)**

**Year 3:** Kusama, Riley and Samba Class - **Monday 28th November 2022**

**Year 3 & 4:** Banksy, Carver and Tesla Class - **Tuesday 29th November 2022**

**Year 4 & 5:** Turing, Goodall and Jemison Class - **Wednesday 30th November 2022**

**Year 5 :** Peake, Wakata and Sharman Class - **Monday 5th December 2022**

**Year 6:** Zephaniah and Bloom Class - **Tuesday 6th December 2022**

**Year 6:** Eliot and Silverstein - **Wednesday 7th December 2022**

### **Richmond Dyslexia Coffee Morning**

The Richmond Dyslexia coffee morning is being held at Tide Tables Cafe, under the arches of Richmond Bridge, TW9 1TH at 9:30-10:30 on **Friday 30 September 2022**. It will be hosted by Kim Pryde, a parent, and a former SENCo. It's an opportunity to meet parents in similar situations and discuss experiences.

For more information please contact [Kim](#) via email.

### **ASD Parent/Carer Support Group**

The ASD support group is being held at Grand Avenue Primary School, Surbiton, KT5 9HU on **Monday 3rd October 2022**, 9.30 - 11am.

If you would like to come along, please register by clicking [HERE](#) or email Jane Pidduck on [jpiddu2@grandavenue.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:jpiddu2@grandavenue.kingston.sch.uk)



## **FREE Family Learning ESOL courses with creche**

Kingston Adult Education are offering courses for parents who do not speak English as their first language.

**Details are below:-**

**Friday 30th September 2022** until 16th December 2022 - 12:30 pm-2.30pm at Old Malden's Children Centre

To apply for a place on this course, please click here <https://bit.ly/KAE-CLflc2223> complete the form and press submit. Or contact the Community Learning Team on 020 8547 6732

Email: [communitylearningkae@kingston.gov.uk](mailto:communitylearningkae@kingston.gov.uk) Browse & book online: [www.kingston.gov.uk/adulteduca](http://www.kingston.gov.uk/adulteduca)

### **Things to do during half term**



Autism friendly cinema - Autism-friendly screenings are sometimes called relaxed or sensory-friendly screenings. Adjustments are made to reduce stress and sensory input, such as low lighting and sound, freedom to move and staff trained in autism awareness. Click [HERE](#) for screening information.

If your child prefers a bit of quiet, down time over the holiday then the Book Trust has lots of books on offer for children to help improve and understand the different experiences of Autism.

Please click [Here](#) to see a selection of books that feature characters on the autistic spectrum.



Families Magazine also list lots of fun things to do and places to visit. Click [HERE](#) to find out what's on.

The **Local Offer** for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in Kingston and Richmond offer a variety of activities during the half term holiday. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.



### **Remember Deep Breaths!**

If your child becomes worried or anxious try this 5-finger breathing exercise. Slowly use the finger of one hand to trace the fingers of the other hand, breathing in as they go up each finger, and out as they go down each finger. Remember to keep it slow...





SEND Parent



Coffee Morning

We would like you to join us on

Tuesday 4th October 2022

at 9.30am

Salli Crook from **ADHD Embrace** will be joining us, providing information and advice, along with Rob Harris from **Achieving for Children** and Linda Nystrom our Parent SEND Champion, the School SENCo and our Family Liaison Officer

It will be a great opportunity for you to meet other parents, share experiences and relax!

*We hope you are able to join us*



# Useful Information

## SENDIASS

A free, independent and impartial advice and support service for parents and carers and young people over the age of 16 with special educational needs and disabilities.

Search Local Offer for: SENDIASS or scan



## SEND Parent Champions

A group of parent and carer volunteers who are supported to inform other families about useful services in their area.

Search Local Offer for: Champions or scan



## Allowances and benefits

Information about disability and carers benefits and support to help you claim.

Search Local Offer for: Benefits or scan



## Short breaks

Short breaks provide disabled children and young people with free activities and a chance to be with friends while their parents and carers get a break from caring.

Search Local Offer for: Short Breaks or scan



## Childcare brokerage or childcare

Helps families understand the childcare options for their child if they have additional needs and can help families find suitable childcare.

Search Local Offer for: Brokerage or scan



## Young carers and siblings

Support and activities for children and young people who help look after someone else.

Search Local Offer for: Siblings or scan



## SEND Local Offer

[www.kr.afcinfo.org.uk/local\\_offer](http://www.kr.afcinfo.org.uk/local_offer)



## SEND Parent Carer Engagement Team

Makes sure that parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities have a say in the services provided for them.

Search Local Offer for: Engagement or scan



## Special Educational Needs or Disability Register

All local authorities must have a register of children with special educational needs and disabilities in their area. It helps them plan services and communicate with children, young people, parents and carers. When you register you can also apply for a Disability Awareness Card.

Search Local Offer for: Register or scan



## Activity Fund

Money that families can claim each year towards schemes or items to help children and young people with disabilities have activities to do.

Search Local Offer for: Activity Fund or scan



## Inclusion development officers

Help children and young people who have disabilities to take part in activities, and increase leisure and sports activities arranged around the needs of children and young people.

Search Local Offer for: Inclusion or scan



## Parent Carer Needs Assessment (PCNA)

An assessment to find out what parents and carers need to enable them to carry on caring.

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## SEND Parent Carer Forums

Independent groups run by parents for parents or carers of children and young people (aged 0 to 25 years) who have any form of special educational need or disability. There is a forum for Kingston (KPCF) and a forum for Richmond (RPCF).

Search Local Offer for: Forum or scan



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