

WJPS Parents' SEND Update December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for the positive feedback we have received for our first SEND newsletter that we sent last month. We are really keen to develop and strengthen links with our SEND family at West Jesmond so any feedback is very welcome.

Support Plans and Reviews

Support plans are currently being updated with spring targets and these will be sent out to you before Christmas. As we mentioned in the previous newsletter, review meetings to discuss Support Plans and the provision we have in place for your children in order to support their needs, will be taking place in January. We have split these over a number of days across the month and have allocated year groups specific days. You will be able to book these appointments using Weduc on the West Jesmond app, in exactly the same way as you would for parents' evenings. If you are unable to attend on the day you have been given, or the slots have all been taken, please contact me so that we can arrange an alternative time.

The days we have allocated are: Reception and Year 1 – Wednesday 15th January Year 2- Monday 13th January Year 3 - Friday 24th January (Excluding those children with EHCP's) Year 4 – Wednesday 29th January (Excluding those children with EHCP's) Year 5 – Monday 27th January Year 6 - Monday 20th January Year 3 and Year 4 EHCPs – Friday 10th January

Please look out for the appointment bookings coming out, and feel free to contact me beforehand if you have any questions.

Inclusive Activities and Events

Hang Out and Dance

Inclusive sessions of dance, movement and aerial - on a Sunday once per month at Dance City. 1pm-2pm for under 12's and 1:15pm-2:15pm for ages 12-18. This group has limited places so that we can welcome all abilities and needs. Pre-booking essential - for more information contact Lynn on 07906 854 092. £8 per child. To book go to www.dancecity.co.uk Who to contact Telephone: 07906854092 Email: lynncam5@aol.com Opening Times Sun 1:00-2:00pm for under 12's.

Other Details

Charges apply at Dance City - free in outdoor settings/zoom.

This is an inclusive class which welcomes children and young people with SEND alongside their nondisabled peers

LTA Youth - SEN Tennis Sessions

The Northumberland club, North Jesmond Avenue, Jesmond, <u>https://www.northumberlandclub.org/Coaching/Summary/6392b83f-a612-44e9-a1ec-77bd4b040cda</u>

We have been working with the LTA to offer inclusive opportunities for tennis within the club. Our coaches have been on some additional training, and we are pleased to offer a course of SEN tennis sessions for ages 8 - 18. When it comes to tennis, a learning disability includes conditions such as Down 's syndrome, Autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). We understand that each person's learning disability has different symptoms and characteristics, so our expert coaches will tailor each session to suit their client's needs.

About this course	Stage: Orange
Date: Sat, Dec 07 - Sat, 21 Dec 2024	Price: £3.00 per session
Time: 14:00 - 15:00	Lead coach: John Henderson
Age: 8 - 18 years old	Available to: Everyone

Free SEND ice-skating session at Life Science Centre

It will take place on Sunday 5th January, 10:30-11:30, and includes a free hot meal and drink. There are 100 tickets available for families in Newcastle who have a child with SEND and you will need to complete the following form if you would like to attend: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/Yyas1Zp72Z</u>. You can request up to 5 tickets per family so that carers/families can attend.

There isn't a deadline for registering but once the 100 tickets have been allocated there won't be any more available.

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Useful websites for parents and carers of children with SEND



https://www.newcastlesupportdirectory.org.uk/?localofferchanne=



Click on the links below to find out more about recent news and local events for children, young people and families with SEN.

https://www.newcastlesupportdirectory.org.uk/node/4049



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https://www.newcastlepcf.co.uk/