



WJPS Parents' SEND Newsletter September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all of our families – I know it feels like a long time ago now and it has been a busy start to the new year.

I hope you had a wonderful summer either here in the UK, or further afield if you travelled abroad.

It has been lovely to welcome your children back and we hope they have settled in well to their new classes and year groups.

Settling in conversations

By now, many of you with children who are on the SEN Register will have had a conversation either at the welcome meetings, on the yard, or at the classroom door, or by telephone. These are just an informal way to check in with you and let you know how the beginning of the new year has gone so far.

You will be able to have further conversations, and an update of progress with support plan targets will be discussed during the upcoming parent consultation evenings.

Morning Routines

For some children, and parents, we know that the morning time before school can be more challenging, particularly at this time of year after the long break. If you are finding things difficult and your child is struggling, please firstly know that you are not alone, but also that we are here to help and support you.

There are many reasons why your child might be finding it a challenge. It could be the transition into a new year group where they have a bit of anxiety around the new class or teacher because they haven't yet had the time to build that relationship or understanding. The step up each year can be difficult and learning the new systems and routines can take time, as well as the increase in the demands of the curriculum.

I am going to keep the newsletter short as I have created a document to go alongside this newsletter with some tips, suggestions and visual supports. There will be lots in there I am sure you are already doing and it is in no way a quick fix or a magic wand, but will hopefully help those of you that may need it

If you would like any other visuals, please just let me know.

SEMH Team Coffee Morning

Following on from the morning routines information, I have also booked the SEMH (Social, Emotional and Mental Health) Team to come and deliver a coffee morning to parents on **Thursday 12th November**. They will be giving a talk and suggestions to help families with those mornings that can be tricky. They have lots of great practical advice and are always happy to take questions too so I would urge all of you to come along. I will put information about it again in newsletters to follow and on Weduc.

SEND Newsletter Feedback Survey

Again, thank you so much to those of you who have taken the time to complete the SEND newsletter survey using the link from previous newsletters.

If you have not managed to complete it, I would really appreciate your feedback so that going forward, it can be more tailored to what you want.

<https://forms.gle/QV7kSAHshYFjjRQD6>

Activities and Events

Below are links to the Newcastle Local Offer and their events calendar for SEND activities.

[Activities SEND Local Offer | Children and Families Newcastle](#)
[Events Calendar | Children and Families Newcastle](#)

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Introducing our mascot

Meet **GiRTrood**, our mascot. She's a flying penguin who represents the amazing things young people can achieve. With the right opportunities, they can go beyond expectations.

The Local Offer helps promote opportunities for children and young people with SEND, so they can reach their potential.



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