

HOLMER LAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SEND Newsletter

June 2025

At Holmer Lake Primary School, our children are at the centre of everything we do. We aim to identify the needs of all pupils as early as possible. This is part of our graduated approach, in which we Assess, Plan, Do, Review. This ongoing cycle ensures that effective provision is put in place and removes barriers to learning. We have a range of interventions taking place daily in our school to meet the needs of all our children. We believe in inclusivity for all and strive to make this a reality for all our pupils.

SEND Review Meetings



Week beginning 14th July, your child will be coming home with their school report. Alongside this will be your child's **third SEND review** for this school year. Your child's class teacher will enclose your child's provision map, reviewing, and assessing (**Review and Assess**) your child's progress from the beginning of the Summer Term.

If you have any concerns or would like to discuss your child's provision map or needs further, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Transition

As we work towards the end of the school year, an important part of our work with all children, particularly those with additional needs is to prepare for transition. Our class teachers and teaching assistants talk sensitively with the children about moving on and what to expect. There are a range of activities we carry out with the children as needed, including informal additional contact with staff, our 'All About Me' pamphlet and visits to their new class. Staff liaise closely and share information about children's needs in detail so that their transition is well supported. Our staff have a great deal of expertise in reassuring children and getting to know them quickly, so transitions are usually smooth and happy. Please let your child's current class teacher know if you have any questions about this





Help us plan for your child's future by joining our Children with Disabilities Register

- The Children with Disabilities Register is a confidential list of names and basic information about children with disabilities, special or additional needs.
- The Children Act 1989 requires all local authorities to establish a register of children with a disability in their area. This will then be used for statistical information and to assist service planning to meet the needs of children with disabilities and their families, such as plans for accessible homes, SEND school places, inclusive community-based activities, and inclusive council services, to name but a few.
- The information held on the register is confidential and stored on our secure database. Statistical data may
 be shared with partners to inform local planning. No personal, identifiable data will be shared without
 consent.

Do all children with disabilities have to be included?

No, inclusion on the list is optional and the details can be added and removed at a parent or carer's request.

Will it affect a child's entitlement to support?

No, support is based on the needs identified as part of an assessment.

A child is eligible to join the Children with Disabilities register if they...

- Have a disability, as defined by the Equality Act as 'a physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial'
 and 'long-term' negative effect on your ability to do normal daily activities.' This must be diagnosed by a
 medical professional.
- Live in Telford or are the responsibility of Telford & Wrekin Council
- Are under 18 years old

What are the benefits of joining the Children with Disabilities register?

The register helps Telford & Wrekin Council and partners understand more about the needs of children with disabilities across the borough. This helps services plan for the future and ensure residents needs are met.

If you have any questions regarding the Children with Disabilities register or require further information, please email shortbreaks@telford.gov.uk.

To register please click on the link below:

<u>Children with Disabilities Register - SEND - Local offer</u>



TELFORD CHILDREN'S AUTISM HUB



Our Children's Autism Hub is open to all children and young people aged 0-18 years and their families, who have a diagnosis of Autism or is on the pre-diagnosis pathway for Autism. To access our Children's Autism Hub you need to be a resident of Telford and Wrekin. For more information, please go to our website:

https://www.telfordautismhub.org.uk/childrens-autism-hub

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Family Hub Offer

As of the 1st April Strengthening Families and Family Hubs joined to provide a 0-19 (25 with SEND) offer for Telford Families.

From the 1st April 2025 the Family Hubs offer is expanding, and these are a few of the activities on offer:

Drop-ins - provide an opportunity to speak to a Family Hubs practitioner about help and support your family require.

Free family cooking with families for children aged 0-2

We offer fun, friendly **free** family cooking on a budget demonstration sessions @ Silver Threads Hall Donnington, from the 6th of June till 9th of July 2025 12.30-14.00.

 If you would like your groups or services promoted to families in Telford please contact telfordfamilyhubs@telford.gov.uk_for inclusion on our website.



PODS Charity

Find out more about the work of the Forum and how we use your voice to improve outcomes for your families.

PODS Parent Carer Forum is the formally recognised, independent peer-led organisation, founded in 2008, representing and involving families of Children and Young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), aged 0-25years.

About Our Parent Carer Forum – Together We Can Make a Difference

We know how much our families are committed and passionate about the SEND world and for those of us who wish to share their knowledge and help us in a more formal way we would like to invite you to be part of our team.

Let's Talk

Please feel free to contact our team who are on hand and ready to help with any questions or enquires.

- 01952 458047
- support@podstelford.org

SEND Information

School's SEND Offer:

http://www.holmerlakeprimary.org/key-information/send

Telford & Wrekin SEND Local Offer:

https://www.telfordsend.org.uk/site/index.php



SEND IASS

Telford & Wrekin SEND IASS (Information and Advice and Support Service) have a full programme of workshops and drop in sessions available for families to access.

Talking SEND Sessions

Join our 'Talking SEND' sessions and speak to a fully trained SENDIASS advisor, to book a place please use the link below.

SEN Support Information Session

Increase your confidence to be able to participate more fully in your child's education

Education Health and Care plan Drop In

Increase your knowledge and gain confidence to express your views in relation to the EHCP processes

https://www.telfordsendiass.org.uk/



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- Youth Drop In for 11-16 year olds every Monday
- Youth well-being & peer support group for 6 10 year olds and meets every Tuesday evening.
- SEND parent and toddler group a group to support under 5s all stages of diagnosis.
- Well-being drop-ins in school.
- Autism Cooking Group 6-16 year olds
- Advocacy
- Strategic Work with local authority & NHS –
- School pencil cases
- Winter warm packs –fleece blankets, hats, gloves, hot water bottles etc
- Sensory Room accessible at £3.00 per child for 30 minutes.
- · Sensory toy shop
- · we have an onsite sensory garden
- Well-being pack for Christmas and easter school holidays