# SPOTLIGHT ON SEND

(special educational needs and disabilities)

Each half-term, I write a section on our school newsletter to keep parents and carers of pupils on the SEND register 'in the loop' about all things SEND related. I highlight support available in school and also resources and workshops available in the local area. This half-term, I am shining the spotlight on neurodiversity.

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Keep updated with all things SEND at Swain House. Click here or scan the QR code.



## **Parents' Evening**

Parents Evening was on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January. At the meeting, you will have been updated on the progress your child is making and any additional support that is in place. Their termly targets are listed on the Pupil Mentoring sheet.

If your child has an IEP (Individual Education Plan), you will have been given a copy at the meeting. The class teacher has written the IEP and set targets for your child to work on this term. We would really appreciate it if you could support your child at home with their targets. If you need any support or resources for this, please speak to your child's class teachers.

Pupils who receive speech and language support in school have their own bespoke plan. When the therapist assesses your child, she will write a new plan. These targets will be worked on regularly at school. A copy of the plan will also be sent home so you can also support your child with these targets.

#### What does neurodiversity mean?

"Neurodiversity" is a common term that's used to describe differences in the way people's brains work. The idea is that there's no "correct" way for the brain to work. Instead, there is a wide range of ways that people perceive and respond to the world, and these differences are to be embraced and encouraged.

neuro - To be of nerves or nervous system

diversity - A range of different things

There are a number of neurological conditions that come under the umbrella term of 'neurodiversity' - such as:

Autism, ADHD, Dyspraxia and Dyslexia.

Click here to find resources that can support children with neurological conditions.

#### Did you know?

Lots of famous and successful people have neurological conditions:





Dyslexia







Greta Thunberg

Autism

Emma Watson ADHD

Walt Disney Daniel Radcliffe Dyspraxia

**Bradford Local Offer** 

The Local Offer brings together information for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities and their families.

https://localoffer.bradford.gov.uk/



### Upcoming Dates:

13<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023 -

**Neurodiversity Week** 

16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – **Young Carers Action** Dav

2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023 – World Autism Day.

13 - 19 March 2023