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# Frequently asked SEND questions

**What are the areas of need for SEND children?**

Children on our SEND register will be identified by their primary need, though many children have needs across more than one area. The four broad areas of need are:

* **Cognition and Learning** – thinking skills and thought processes
* **Communication and Interaction**– acquisition of language and ability to communicate and interact with others.
* **Sensory and Physical** – sight and hearing impairments, along with other physical needs
* **Social, Emotional, Mental Health** – difficulties may involve managing mood, emotions and behaviour

# Lego Therapy

We are fortunate enough to be enjoying Lego Therapy sessions with some of our SEND children, provided by local sensory development charity, ‘Look Inside’.

Lego Therapy is a social development programme, which helps children with social interaction, language development, friendships and confidence. Lego Therapy is proving to be a great success and we aim to continue using this therapy to support more children in the future!



# Welcome to our SEND newsletter

A very warm welcome to the latest copy of our SEND newsetter which shares updates, calendar events and information regarding special educational needs and disability, both at our school and in the local community.

Should you require any further information, or if you would like an appointment to discuss your child, please contact the school office and I will be happy to help.

Mrs Thompson

SENCO & Class 3 Teacher

# ELSA

ELSA sessions with our ELSAs (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) continue throughout the Lent term. These sessions provide emional support for children and improve a child’s ability to recognise and manage their emotions. Our trained ELSAs are Mrs Thompson (SENCO and Y3 Teacher) and Miss Clark (Y4 Teaching Assistant).



# Current Attendance figures for

# SEND children

Attendance for **SEND** children in our school is currently:

92.7%

We firmly believe that children who attend today, achieve tomorrow!

Please continue to support your SEND child with their punctuality and attendance – every day matters!



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# Community News and Local Events

Work today to improve your tomorrow…… A message we can learn from ourselves, and an important one to pass on to the young people in our care.



# Triple P Parenting Courses

**What is Triple P?**

The Positive Parenting Programme, more commonly known as Triple P, is a behaviour support programme and is available to all parents living in Nottingham City who have children aged 0-19.

**Who is Triple P for?**

Triple P is for all parents. Most of the time parenting is rewarding, but sometimes it can be exhausting and hard work. The Triple P programme is proven to help parents and carers who want/need support with their child’s behaviour.

**How can Triple P help me?**

By taking part in a Triple P programme you will:

* Talk about your child’s behaviour and its impact on family life
* Learn simple and practical behaviour strategies and parenting tips
* Learn how to adapt tips and strategies to the needs of your family
* Set achievable goals

Build a behaviour strategy toolkit to use now and in the future

**How can I access support?**

Triple P support is accessible through booking only.

To book onto one of the Triple P programmes,contact Early Help on: **0115 876 3343**



# Rainbow Carers

Rainbow Carers are a support group and independent voice for parents and carers who have a child or children with special educational needs and/or a disability (SEND), in Nottingham and surrounding areas. They offer support groups, stay and play activities and much more…..

[**Parent 2 Parent (P2P)**](https://www.rainbowpcf.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Parent-2-Parent-Rainbow-Flyer-March-2023-4.pdf)

**Date: Tuesday 7 March**

**Time: 09:30 - 11:30**

**Location: Meeting Room 2, Arnold Library, Front Street, Arnold, Nottingham, NG5 7EE**

Tea and coffee are provided and booking is necessary

## **Family Inclusive Play (FIP1) for ages 5 and above**

**Date: Saturday 11 March**

**Time: 12:00 - 14:00**

**Location: The Nottingham Nursery School & Training Centre, Denman Street West, NG7 3AB (Entrance via the car park on Gatling Street, Nottingham NG7 3EZ)**

Stay and play session with arts and crafts, soft play, games and outdoor play. Booking is essential.

*See the website for more information on these activities and many others:* www.rainbowpcf.org.uk





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