



SEN and Pastoral Team Newsletter - October 2022

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Welcome to the new term and our SEN/Pastoral Team newsletter from Mrs Scott, Mrs Hitch, Mrs Preston-Heard and Mrs Douglass.

We have decided as a team to send this newsletter to all parents. We want to be able to share any workshops, networks, resources and events that will be of relevance to any parent, whether their child is on the SEN register or not. We will still include dates for any updates for those who are on the SEN register e.g. when SEN passports are due to be sent home.

Open to all parents - free places offered

Children's Wellbeing Parent Workshops

YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team invites you to attend our free online parent workshops.

These workshops will be held on Zoom and are suitable for parents with children aged 8+. The Community Wellbeing team will provide you with information and key strategies to support your child. There will also be time for you to ask any questions that you have via the online chat function. Each workshop runs once a month.

Understanding, expressing and managing emotions

Wednesday 9 November | 18:30 - 19:30

Wednesday 14 December | 18:30 - 19:30

Link: [Book your free place here](#)

Talking to your child and supporting them to cope with worries

Wednesday 26 October | 18:30 - 19:30

Wednesday 23 November | 18:30 - 19:30

Link: [Book your free place here](#)

If you have any questions about these events, please email us at communitywellbeingteam@ymcaeast Surrey.org.uk

Accessing ELSA support in school

ELSA support is in place to support children with social, emotional and pastoral support. This may be provided in small groups or 1:1.

We are running a triage system to manage the number of children and may occasionally have a waiting list. If you would like to refer to the ELSAs to request support, please use the ELSA email.

elsa@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk

SEN Passports Autumn term

If your child is on the SEN register they have a 2022-23 SEN Passport. This lists the strategies and support your child is having in school. A paper copy of this will be sent home to you by class teachers this week in time for Parents' Consultations.

These will be reviewed in November. Please let your child's class teacher or Mrs Scott know if you do not receive a copy or have any queries.

Useful weblinks



<https://www.familyvoicesurrey.org/fvs-events>



<https://www.surreylocaloffer.org.uk/parents-and-carers>



<https://www.appeer.org.uk/>



<https://www.autism.org.uk/>