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Information & Events for Parents & Carers Spring 2019

Workshops and information sessions for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disability.

Here are the sessions on offer from Newfield this term for any parents and carers. These sessions are aimed at improving parents and carers understanding and to give them more information about ways in which they can help their children. Please telephone school to book a place and to get more information to ensure that the session is relevant for you. All sessions are free of charge. If you are interested in delivering a session or would like to see different sessions, please contact Jenny Riley, Deputy Head, in school.

Telephone: Saj Motorwala or Sameena Quosar on 01254 588600 OR E-mail: enquiries@newfield.blackburn.sch.uk

Tuesday 5th February 2019
10.00 am – 11.00 am



Internet Safety Day
'Create, Connect & Share Respect
– A better internet starts with you'
Helen Thomas (Teacher ARC)

This workshop is aimed at helping parents and carers understand the dangers that may be associated with the internet and social media.

This session will cover - cyber-bullying, strategies for keeping children and young people safe, what to do, and who to contact if you are concerned.

Thursday 28th February 2019
10.00 am – 11.00 am

(Studio)

World Book Day
Sensory Story Telling

Georgie Stephens (Class Teacher)

Come and join Georgie and other parents in our sensory studio to experience, explore and learn all about the skills and resources of Sensory Story Telling.



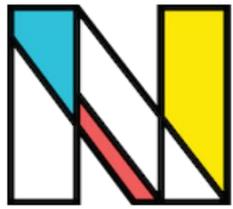
Tuesday 12th March 2019
10.00 am – 12.00 pm

Behaviour that Challenges Us
Jenny Nelson (Assistant Head)

This session will look at how we can better understand challenging behaviour. It will also explore positive strategies we can use to manage behavior.

- To develop understanding of the causes of challenging behaviour
- To explore strategies to manage behaviour
- To highlight sources of advice and support





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Social Care Drop-in Session (AnnMarie Pickering, CSO)

Here at Newfield we are often asked questions about Respite, Social care assessments, Disability links, Direct payments etc.

So we have partnered up with colleagues in social care for a session where you can come along to find out more about a range of topics...

- Social opportunities for children with disabilities
- Respite
- Social care assessments
- Role of Appletrees Hub
- Direct payments

AnnMarie Pickering will be available so please come along for an informal chat and get the advice you need.



March 2019

COURSES DUE... KEEP A LOOK OUT!

Lyndsay Regan-Hicks

(Contact – For Families with Disabled Children)

Families caring for a child with additional needs, a long term medical condition or disability, are invited to attend a free information session held by 'Contact' in partnership with Newfield School.

contact For families
with disabled children

Communication Support Workshops

Laura Holmes (Assistant Head)



Laura runs termly parent workshops offering specific training to core parents of children to meet their specific communication needs.

Sessions include:

- Taster Makaton session- Parents learn background to Makaton and set of 15-20 signs
- Symbol support and encouraging communication- looking at symbol placemats, introducing symbols in the environment and making choices
- Introduction to eye-gaze and using low tech aids such as E-Tran frames to begin to make clear choices and express likes and dislikes
- Using switches to communicate
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It is really important to promote children's communication to help them understand others and to help them express themselves. If you would benefit from developing an understanding of how to support your child's communication, please get in touch to discuss and arrange to book on one of the sessions.