

26th April 2024 - SEN Afternoon Tea – Meeting notes



The purpose of the meeting was outlined:

- To set up ideas for monthly sessions
- Share ideas that parent/carers may find useful

Parent/Carers voiced that they would really like to continue the monthly afternoon tea sessions, this provides an opportunity to talk to one another in addition to finding out more information about the areas they feel will be useful.

The areas suggested in the meeting include:

- The different areas of need and what this means
- Transition – both within school and into or out of school to another setting
- Wider community information – SEN friendly places to go out as a family
- Testing and using reports to know what to do next
- Resources and strategies used in school that help – Makaton, Elklan
- Behaviour – supporting parent/carer burn out, social stories, therapeutic approaches, functions of behaviour.
- Longer term planning and goals
- Referral – the process of referrals, where these go and how
- Sleep support
- Social and emotional support
- School report explanations with ideas to support children at home

Further to this we spoke about:

- A lending library of tools and resources to use at home.
- Useful information to be added to the website and links to online learning

One of our parents shared two courses that they had taken regarding Autism and specific learning difficulties. The course is a free level 2 accredited qualification taken over 12 weeks.

<https://freecoursesinengland.co.uk/understanding-autism/>

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