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Hertfordshire Updates

Local High Needs Funding Panels (LHNF)

Information has been sent out to all settings about the new LHNF panels which now replace ENF clusters. For information, the application form, banding tool and guidance are all now available on the local offer here. The first panel in DSPL7 will be held on November 12th from 9.30-12.00. Only schools and EY settings can apply.

The training session in July which many people struggled to access is available on YouTube here.

Advisory Service Advice Lines

A SEND Telephone Advice Line flier has been produced with the key phone numbers for the EP Service, Specialist Advisory teams, the Attendance team, SENDIASS and Kids Hub. This is available on the DSPL7 website and Facebook page.

Occupational Therapy Training for Parents

Two online training sessions have been made available for parents this term. Follow the links below for fliers and information:

MICH TRANSPORT ADJOIC UNIS MICH 1998 de 1998

Understanding your child's sensory processing



Supporting you child's sensory Self-Regulation Development



ADD-Vance ASD/ADHD online training -

ADD-vance have released dates for a number of online workshops covering a range of topics. Book through **eventbrite**

FREE online workshops open for booking now! A series of online workshops for parent/carers funded by Hertfordshire County Council

Date Time Tuesday 6th October 10 - 11.30 amIdentifying ADHD and/or Autism in your child Wednesday 7th October 10 - 11.30 am Understanding Autism Thursday 8th October 10 - 11.30 amUnderstanding sensory differences 7 – 8.00 pm Thursday 8th October Supporting your child's education during Covid 19 Tuesday 13th October 10 - 11.30 am Understanding Autism in girls Wednesday 14th October 1 - 2.30 pmSupporting siblings living with ADHD/Autism Wednesday 14th October Supporting your child's education during Covid 19 Thursday 15th October 10 - 11.30 am Understanding ADHD in girls Thursday 15th October $7 - 8.30 \; pm$ Understanding teens with ADHD/Autism Tuesday 20th October 10 - 11.30 am Understanding behaviour that challenges Thursday 22nd October 10 - 11.30 am Understanding anxiety Thursday 22nd October 7 - 8.30 pm Supporting siblings living with ADHD/Autism For more information and to book, please visit eventbrite

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Natural Flair Parenting Teens course

New Fully Funded 'Parenting Teens' online course

Book now for a new fully funded parenting Teens online course with Natural Flair Coaching

To meet the funding criteria, parents should be referred - this can be by your.

- · Social worker/ SEN officer
- · School/Family Worker/SENCO
- · GP/Health Worker
- · Family Centre

(A longer list is available on the booking page)

2 courses available during the Autumn term
Times: 7pm - 9pm
Monday 12th October 2020 for 6 weeks (evening course)
Tuesday 3rd November for 6 weeks (evening course)



Local Updates

DSPL7 continues to provide a range of support to parents and professionals.

Specialist SEND Family Worker

DSPL7 continue to employ a specialist SEND family worker to support families who may be finding behaviour challenging at home. Clare Tominey-Smith sits within the St Albans Plus and Harpenden Plus School Family Worker Teams and referrals are made through schools or EY settings.



KS3 Mentor

DSPL7 has employed a male mentor, Mike Rose, to support young people in Y7-9. Mike has a full day in St Albans and half a day in Harpenden each week and can provide 1:1 and small group support for a range of needs.



Down Syndrome Advisory Teacher

DSPL7 provides an Advisory teacher, Helen Long, to support settings where there is a child with Down Syndrome. Settings can apply for a visit, which will include an observation of the pupil and a meeting with key staff and parents. A written report will be provided following the visit.

NESSie

Our 2 NESSie training sessions on Anxiety have been extremely popular, with 120 parents registering for the first session, and 100 for the second session. Our NESSie therapists continue to support primary aged pupils in schools, with a particular focus this term on any children who may have been witness to domestic abuse during lockdown.

NESSie and Angels

NESSie has joined with Angels to deliver fully funded training designed to give parents/carers of children aged 4-15 years awaiting assessment or displaying traits of ASD and/or ADHD. Places can be booked by visiting the NESSie website -

www.nessieined/events

workshop	ASD/ADHD	Date and time	Delivery
Transition back to school	Both	21 Sept 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
0-8 years	Both	28 Sept 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
Transition back to school	Both	5 Oct 1-2.30	Online via zoom
Teenage years	Both	12 Oct 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
Girls and women	ASD	19 Oct 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
Siblings of children with additional needs	Both	9 Nov 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
Beginning of the journey (language and understanding the SEN world	Both	16 Nov 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
Relationships and sexuality	Both	23 Nov 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom
Girls and women	ASD	7 Dec 1-2.30pm	Online via zoom