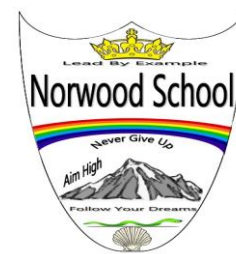


# Norwood Primary School

## SEND NEWSLETTER

### Spring - 2022

SENCo — Mrs J Cockerill



#### Welcome to the Spring SEND Newsletter.

It's been a tough term with so much staff absence and I want to thank you all for understanding when SEN meetings did not go ahead. I had intended to move these to this half term but then I caught Covid myself.

Unfortunately, my timetable is so heavily booked up that it is impossible to create a time to rearrange all of these before the next meetings are due.

However, you will have had a meeting with your child's class teacher now and they will have updated you on your child's progress in school.

If you need any further information about your child's progress, please send a request to book one of the bookable sessions detailed on this newsletter.

As you know, you can always contact me directly by email or phone school if you have any concerns or queries between meeting dates.

We are very proud of all of the steps your children make towards their targets as we all know how hard they have to work to achieve them.

It is incredibly heart-warming and uplifting for us all when they achieve a new goal.

As always, thank you for all of your support in helping us to help your child to succeed.

*Jane Cockerill*



#### What is Sensory Processing

When we receive sensory information, our brain sorts and makes sense of it.

#### Sensory Processing Senses are:

Visual	Sound	Taste	Smell	Touch
Muscle and Joint movement				
Balance and Head movement				
Sense of what's going on inside our body				



#### When it doesn't work so well:

- ☐ I have trouble focusing or concentrating.
- ☐ I hate having my hair cut, washed or brushed.
- ☐ I try and shield my eyes from the sun and other bright lights.
- ☐ I am overly sensitive to loud sounds like vacuum cleaners.
- ☐ I chew on everything.
- ☐ I am always smelling people, food and objects.
- ☐ I am a picky eater and resist new foods.
- ☐ I have difficulty dressing myself.
- ☐ I complain about tags on my clothes.
- ☐ I hate being tickled or cuddled.
- ☐ I sit with my legs in a W position.
- ☐ I always walk on my tiptoes.
- ☐ I have problems with gross motor skills like running and riding a bike.

Please talk to your child's class teacher if you think your child has sensory processing difficulties.



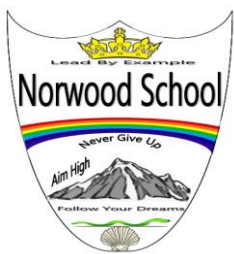
Information, strategies and tips for coping with sensory differences can be found on the link below.

<https://www.autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance/topics/sensory-differences/sensory-differences/all-audiences>



Supporting children with sensory needs at home. Use Variety's new guide to create fun sensory activities for your child.

<https://www.variety.org.uk/free-kits-support-children-sensory-needs-home>

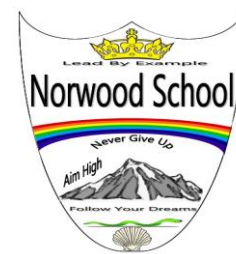


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### SPECTRUM



#WEARESPECTRUM

Spectrum is a multi-award winning, parent-led charity providing events and support for families of children with Autism, additional needs, learning difficulties and disabilities. Telephone 01223 955404

Email: [hello@spectrum.org.uk](mailto:hello@spectrum.org.uk)

Website: <https://spectrum.org.uk/>

**To register for membership of Spectrum**, click on the link below, and complete the online form which is at the bottom of the page.

<https://spectrum.org.uk/members/>

**Spectrum** has teamed up with Max Card, providing access to their cards for all of our registered members. Membership is free and needs to be done only once. FAQ's link below

<https://spectrum.org.uk/faq/>

#### Max Card

Families can use their Max Card at venues across the UK to get free or discounted admission. Search for available venues, discounts and more information on website <https://mymaxcard.co.uk/>

#### Max Card

A Max Card's cost is £5, and it is posted out to you first class, including a welcome letter. Please allow 6 working days for processing plus delivery. **Expiry date will be on the reverse of your card**



**To apply for a Max Card**, click on the link below, and complete the online form which is at the bottom of the page.

\*You will need to have your Spectrum membership number <https://spectrum.org.uk/max-card/>

#### Frequently Asked Questions

<https://mymaxcard.co.uk/faqs>

#### **SEND Appointments with Mrs Cockerill**

The Learning Plan Review Meetings for the SEN register pupils are scheduled to take place for week beginning Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

All parents/carers with pupils on the SEN register will receive a letter to book a SEN meeting to review progress.

#### **Bookable Meetings with Mrs Cockerill SENCo**

These 20 minute meetings are for parents/carers who wish to discuss any concerns about their child. Your enquiry should state, your child's name, year group and the reason for your request. These can be booked through our email

[senadmin@norwoodschool.co.uk](mailto:senadmin@norwoodschool.co.uk)

Next planned meetings are:

- **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 10:00 to 12:00**
- **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 9:30 to 12:00**

#### **Norwood Website – click on links**

Please check our website [www.norwood-school.co.uk](http://www.norwood-school.co.uk) for copies of all letters and news updates. Click on [Children's Zone](#) and then class to see your child's curriculum.

Please also see our [Special Educational Needs page](#)

#### **Contact details:**

**Mrs Jane Cockerill**, SEND Co-ordinator (SENCo),

Contact details for SEND at Norwood School

Email: [senadmin@norwoodschool.co.uk](mailto:senadmin@norwoodschool.co.uk)

Tel: 01733 574717 to leave a message

#### **Miss Stacey Chapman**, SEND Governor

Correspondence must be in writing, addressed to the Clerk of the Governing Body and can be passed on via the school office. Please ring to arrange a time to drop off any correspondence safely.

Term Dates:

#### **Spring Term 2022**

Term Finishes:

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April

#### **Summer Term**

Term Starts:

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April



The Local Offer tells you what support is available for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their families. Click [here](#) to find the Local Offer.