

Dear Parent/Carers,

In this DSPL8 Parent/Carers Communication please find the following:

Course/Support	Booking Link/Website
Understanding Transition from Secondary School into Further Education for young People with SEND: Summer Term Workshop Tuesday 12 th July 2022 –11:00-12.30 Wednesday 13 th July – 19.00-20.30	Booking link: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transition-from-secondary-school-to-further-education-for-send-young-people-tickets-372674739177 Booking link: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transition-from-secondary-school-to-further-education-for-send-young-people-tickets-372678390097
SEND News- 30 June 2022 - Deafblind Awareness Week, SpLD survey, and Transitions	https://sendnews.hertfordshire.gov.uk/30-june-2022

Please also view the most recent Dacorum Parent/Carers Courses and Support PDF for following local updates:

Course/Support	Booking Link/Website
NESSie Upcoming Events	https://procfu.com/nespublishing
HAPpy Camps	https://www.sportinherts.org.uk/booking
Up on Downs Newsletter- Summer Edition	PDF attached to DSPL email
SPACE Hertfordshire upcoming events	https://spaceherts.eventbrite.co.uk
Parenting Courses and Support in Dacorum Summer 2022	http://www.dacorumdspl.org.uk/courses-for-parents-carers-and-professionals/

Both documents can be downloaded from our website, via the following link:

<http://www.dacorumdspl.org.uk/online-resources-for-parents-and-carers-2/>

Stay safe and take care,

DSPL 8 Team – Carole Hassell, Ruth Mason & Ashley Fabray

 Website: www.dacorumdspl.org.uk

 Facebook: www.facebook.com/dspldacorum

 Email: dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk

 Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/dspl_dacorum/

 Eventbrite: <https://dspl8.eventbrite.co.uk/>

**Understanding Transition from Secondary School into Further Education for young People
with SEND: Summer Term Workshop**

We still have a few spaces available on these workshops and booking will close on 14th July at 11am

Booking Links:

Tuesday 12th July 2022 –11:00-12.30

Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transition-from-secondary-school-to-further-education-for-send-young-people-tickets-372674739177>

Or

Wednesday 13th July – 19.00-20.30

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**Understanding Transition from
Secondary School into Further Education
for Young People with SEND**

Explaining the transition process from school into further education (FE) for young people with SEN.

Services for Young People are offering two virtual sessions to support parents/carers with SEN young people to navigate the transition process.

Please come and join us for one of our morning or evening sessions delivered by specialist Learning Disabilities and/or Difficulties (LDD) Personal Advisers.

Tuesday 12th July 2022 –11:00-12.30

Or

Wednesday 13th July – 19.00-20.30

We have about 12 spaces per session so please book in early to make sure you don't miss out.

Booking Information

Please book your place to attend your preferred session via Eventbrite - www.dspl8.eventbrite.com

You will receive an online invite link nearer the date.

Please note these sessions are fully funded by DSPL8 for Dacorum Families only.

SEND News- 30 June 2022 - Deafblind Awareness Week, SpLD survey, and Transitions

The Latest SEND News Bulleting is available with update on the following:

- [Deafblind Awareness Week - for all ages](#)
- [Hertfordshire Family Centres - for ages 0-11](#)
- [HPCI - Specific Learning Difficulties survey - for all ages](#)
- [SENDIASS website and helpline](#)
- [Transitions - for children and young people starting a new school, or moving on from school](#)
- [Events](#)

Via the bulletin via: <https://sendnews.hertfordshire.gov.uk/30-june-2022>

DSPL8 Parent/Carer Support – Autumn Term 2022

We are currently working on the DSPL8 Parent/Carer Support leaflet for the Autumn 2022 term and this will be available before the end of term.

Local School Partnership's

Student and Family Support Services

Gade Schools Family Support and Kings Langley Partnership



As part of the Partnership of Dacorum Schools Gade and Kings Langley Schools Family Support are able to provide families with a range of support services.

- ❖ **Parent Support Services**—We have a team of Family Support workers who are available to work in school and with parents at home. Our support workers can work with families on any range of issues and will provide practical advice, guidance and support.
- ❖ **Pupil Support Services**—Our Partnership has Pupil Support workers who are available to work with children in school to support them with their behaviour, emotional wellbeing and how to overcome difficulties they may be facing. Our workers offer support groups in school or will work with children on a one to one basis at school. If you feel your child needs support, please contact your school directly to request this support.
- ❖ **SEND Support**—Our Partnership has a specialist Family Support worker who works with families of children with SEND. We will support parents in school and with parents at home, will provide practical advice, guidance and support on all aspects of SEND. We offer SEND surgeries in our community offices and these can be booked by contacting your school and requesting support.
- ❖ **Parent Courses and Workshops** – We will regularly host a range of courses and workshops for families on a range of different themes including managing challenging behaviour, managing teens, transition to secondary school, developing confidence and self-esteem and a range of other themes.
- ❖ **Parent Surgeries** – As a Service we host a range of one to one advice surgeries on Housing Advice, Debt Management Advice, Autism Support and Advice, SEND Support and Advice. Various dates are available and are published on our web site www.gadeschoolsfamilysupport.co.uk

Schools can refer families to our Services however families can refer directly if they would like to speak with a member of staff directly and in confidence please contact the Partnership Office on 01442 278793.

Our Service is only able to work with Parents who have children in one of our Partnership Schools. Schools in our Partnership are:

Kings Langley Partnership: Kings Langley Secondary, Kings Langley Primary, Sarratt Primary, St Pauls School, Chipperfield, Bovingdon Primary Academy, Nash Mills Primary, Bedmond Village Primary

If you would like to register for our mailing list, or be removed, please email dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk

Gade Schools Family Support: John F Kennedy, Hemel Hempstead School, The Cavendish School, Chaulden Infants and Junior Schools, Boxmoor Primary, St Roses Infants, Micklem Primary, Galley Hill Primary, South Hill Primary, George Street School, Gade Valley School, St Cuthbert Mayne, Two Waters Primary, Pixies Hill Primary, Heath Lane Nursery, The Collett School

www.gadeschoolsfamilysupport.co.uk
Partnership Office: 01442 278793

Dacorum Family Services North & East



What we offer

- 1-2-1 sessions with our family workers
- Home visits
- Surgeries at your local school/virtual
- SEND Surgeries at your local school/virtual
- Subject specific online workshops
- Parenting advice and courses
- Help to access local services
- Signposting to counselling & wellbeing services
- Signposting to adult learning and development
- Positive activities for children, young people and their families
- 1-2-1 support for children and young people
- Domestic abuse support
- Family breakdown support
- Debt advice & signposting
- Specialist SEND support
- Wellbeing advice for children and young people



School Family Worker

A personal and confidential service that addresses any needs or concerns raised by the family or school



SEND School Family Worker

Specialist support for higher need SEND families



Pupil Support Worker

Specialist support for pupils to address an identified concern highlighted by the school or family. 1-2-1 and group work specific programmes



DFS North & East Partnership Schools

St Albert the Great, *Adeyfield, Aldbury, Ashlyns, Astley Cooper, *Aycliffe Drive, Belswains, *Brookwood, Chambersbury, Bishop Wood, Bridgewater, Broadfield, DESC, Dundale, Hamstead, Gaddesden Row, Goldfield, Groat Gaddesden, Greenway, Grove Road, Hammond, Haywood Grove, Hobbs Hill Wood, Hobbetts Manor Infant, Hobbetts Manor Junior, Holtsmere End Infants, Holtsmere End Junior, Jupiter, Leverstock Green, Lime Walk, *Longdean, Little Gaddesden, Long Marston, Maple Grove, Markyate, Potten End, Reddings, Roman Fields, St Bartholomews, St Mary's, St Thomas More, Swing Gate, The Thomas Coram, Tring, Tudor, Victoria, Westfield, Woodfield, Yewtree

*Signposting service only

Dacorum Family Services North & East

Office: 01442 401222 Ext 5

www.dacorumfamilyservices.org.uk

Term Time only

ISL SEND Duty Lines & SEND advice lines for Parents/Carers

Statutory SEND Team (for queries about your EHCP)

This academic year our SEND Duty lines will be available:

9am - 5.30pm Monday - Wednesday, and 9am – 4:30pm Fridays.

East Herts, Broxbourne Welwyn and Hatfield - 01992 588562

easthertsbroxbourne.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk

North Herts and Stevenage - 01438 843758

northhertsstevenage.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk

St Albans and Dacorum - 01442 453 300

stadsendteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Watford, Three Rivers and Hertsmere - 01442 454012
watfordthreerivers.senteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Specialist advice lines

Educational psychology advice line

01992 588 574 Wednesdays 2pm - 4.30pm

Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD)

01442 453 920 (term time only) Thurs, 9.30am - 12pm

Speech, Language, Communication and autism Needs (SLCA)

01442 453 920 (term time only) Tues and Weds, 1.30pm - 4pm

Early years (0 - 5)

01442 453 920 (term time only) Weds 9am - 12pm and Thurs 1.30pm - 4pm

Physical and neurological impairment team (PNI)

01442 453 920 (term time only) Mondays, 1.30pm - 4pm

West team Attendance Duty

01442 454 778 Monday –Friday 9:30am-4pm

Education Support for Medical Absence (ESMA)

01442 454 802 (school hours, term time only)

esmaenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Children and young people's therapy services

(Advice from occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech and language therapists)

01923 470680 – select Option 3 for the therapy service. Callers then choose to use the service Advice Line (select 1) or to speak to an administrator (select 2).

Or email hct.cyptherapies1@nhs.net

SUPPORT



Speech, Language, Communication and Autism - stadac.islteam@hertfordshire.gov.uk



Educational Psychologists - Use our advice line to speak to an educational psychologist or an advisory teacher if you need support. **Wednesday 2 - 4.30pm 01992 588 574**



Autism Helpline 10am – 3pm, Monday to Friday - **0808 800 4104** or via online contact form
<https://www.autism.org.uk/enquiry>



ADD-vance Helpdesk is open from 9am to 1pm every weekday via 01727 833963 or email to herts@add-vance.org Website - www.add-vance.org Facebook – www.add-vance.org/parents/



Hertfordshire Local Offer The Local offer lets parents and young people know what special education needs and disabilities services are available in Hertfordshire and who can access them.
<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/Local-Offer/The-Hertfordshire-Local-Offer.aspx>



Herts Help a network of community organisations in Hertfordshire working together. We're here to listen and help you find independent support, guidance and information you need to get the most out of life.
Call us on **0300 123 4044** or email info@hertshelp.net



Kids Hub support and information to families with children and young people with SEND. We are still open and offer support and advice to families over the phone and emails and our SEN Toy and Equipment is still available to parents. If you would like to get in contact with us please call on 01992 504013/ 01923 676549 or email us at hub.herts@kids.org.uk



Hertfordshire SENDIASS is an impartial Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS). Contact SENDIASS on: sendiass@hertfordshire.gov.uk or 01992 555 847



Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database (HAND) voluntary register of disabled children and young people aged 0-25. By joining the register, you can get discounts at places around the county (and beyond). Contact via:
<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/local-offer/courses-and-activities-in-hertfordshire/hertfordshire-additional-needs-database.aspx> or email hand@hertfordshire.gov.uk



Families First Hertfordshire for services that work together to support families who need extra help. These are also known as early help services.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/families-first/families-first.aspx>



Benefit entitlement - If you care for a child or young person with a disability or if you have a disability yourself, you may be able to claim a range of benefits including Disability Living Allowance and Carers Allowance. For more information on available benefits and entitlement go to:
<https://www.carersuk.org/help-and-advice/financial-support>



Carers in Hertfordshire provides advice, information and support to unpaid carers.

Website - www.carersinherts.org.uk Telephone – 01992 586969 (9am-5:30pm Mon-Thurs & 9am-4:30pm Fri)



Hertfordshire Mind - If you are experiencing a mental health crisis and would like someone to talk to, you can call our **Crisis Helpline**. Available to provide emotional support 24 hours a day, every day of the week. To contact the helpline please call us on **01923 256391**.



Hertfordshire Wellbeing Service offers free, confidential talking therapy and practical support for people 16+ experiencing a wide range of common emotional difficulties such as, anxiety, worry, low mood, depression and stress.
<http://talkwellbeing.co.uk/>



Healthy Young Minds in Herts - Wellbeing advice and tools for young people, parents and carers.
<https://www.healthyyoungmindsinherts.org.uk/>



Just Talk Herts – Mental Health support and advice for young people. www.justtalkherts.org



Family Lives – Parenting and Family support Helpline 0808 800 2222



Foodbanks - <https://dacorum.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/>



Health Coronavirus - <https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

Self-Isolating Guidance - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

Domestic Abuse Help - www.gov.uk/guidance/domestic-abuse-how-to-get-help



Hertfordshire County Council Children's Services - 0300 123 4043



Samaritans - 116 123



ChildLine - 0800 1111



Herts Parent Carer Involvement HPCI – Independent parent carer led organisation which aims to improve services for children and young people who have SEND – 07840 360 245 <https://www.hertsparentcarers.org.uk/>