



## SEND Newsletter



Spring 2026

### Message from the SENCO

In this newsletter you can find more information about our waves of provisions, helpful links to websites to support you and your family and as we approach half-term, some links to help you browse for SEND-friendly holiday outings.

We have had a positive Autumn and first half of Spring Term. Our children with SEND continue to be supported through our different waves of provision. May I take this opportunity to remind you of the optional SEND consultations. This is a brilliant opportunity to discuss your child's needs, targets and support in detail with your child's class teacher.

Miss Rose



#### Important dates:

##### Parents' Consultation Evenings:

Monday 9 March: 3.40pm - 7.15pm

Wednesday 11 March: 3.40pm - 7.15pm

##### Extra optional SEND Parent Consultations:

Monday 23 March: 3:30pm - 4.00pm

Tuesday 24 March: 3.30pm - 4.00pm

Wednesday 25 March: 3.30pm - 4.00pm

Online booking form will be sent to you in Spring 2.

#### Waves of Support

As part of our assess, plan, do and review cycle, we have revised our waves of support. These are outlined in detail within our SEND policy and SEND Information Report.

It is important to know that we have to utilise these waves of support in order, before accessing external agency support.

Wave 1 provisions - these are the first steps of provisions, which a lot of children with SEND need to access their learning. These could be concrete resources such as wobble cushions, seating positions in the classroom and strategies to use.

Wave 2 provisions - these are withdrawal interventions or targeted support within the classroom. This wave of provision proceeds the wave one provisions which have been implemented.

Wave 3 provisions - following the input of Wave 1 and Wave 2 provisions, external agency input may be required. This is a conversation with Miss Rose.



Dudley offer a wide range of services and support for children and young people (aged 0 - 25 years) with SEND needs.

All of which can be found on the Dudley Local Offer website: <https://www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/localoffer>

**Dudley's  
Local Offer**

To contact Miss Rose (SENCO), please email or call the school office:

[admin@alder.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:admin@alder.dudley.sch.uk)  
School Office: 01384 816610

## Support for parents:

We want to ensure you have access to information which can support you in supporting your child inside and outside of school.



### BBC SEND in the Spotlight

This is a new podcast which is available through Spotify or Apple Podcasts. Each episode focuses on a different aspect of SEND with parents and staff who work in education. Very informative and supportive. Worth a listen!

### DUDLEY SENDIASS

Dudley SENDIASS offer free support and advice to parents and carers of children and young people with SEND.

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/learning-and-school/information-for-parents/dudley-sendiass/>



### Dudley Voices for Choice

A charity which can give you safe places in Dudley for young people with SEND. As well as helpful links and ways to support your child.

<https://www.dudleyvoicesforchoice.org>

## SEND Spring 2026 Headlines

- ◆ We have changed our Educational Psychology (EP) service to Dudley EP. We welcome Harpreet Johal, who works with us from this service. Harpreet has already supported a lot of children in school and we look forward to providing support to more children in school.



- ◆ Wellcomm intervention programme is now fully embedded across Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. This helps us to provide support for communication and interaction, as well as support speech referrals.



- ◆ Our staff continue to receive CPD on how to meet various needs inside the classroom.

## Local Leisure Centres

As half-term approaches, you may be looking for swimming and soft play sessions, which are appropriate for your child. These environments can be fun but also very daunting for a child with SEND needs, but they should not miss out!

Below are links to websites which outline any soft play or leisure centres, which offer SEND sessions:

<https://dudleyci.co.uk/categories/sen-leisure-sessions>

<https://www.dbleisure.co.uk/school-holiday-activities>



Dudley Showcase Cinema also provide some autism-friendly screenings with lower volume and easier access.

## Links to important documents:

**Alder Coppice SEND Policy:** [www.alder.dudley.sch.uk/learning-support-special-educational-needs/](http://www.alder.dudley.sch.uk/learning-support-special-educational-needs/)

**School SEN Information Report:** [www.alder.dudley.sch.uk/learning-support-special-educational-needs/](http://www.alder.dudley.sch.uk/learning-support-special-educational-needs/)

**The SEND Code of Practice 2015:** [www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-code-of-practice-0-to-25](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-code-of-practice-0-to-25)