



# Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School

## SEND Newsletter

'Love, Laugh and Learn'

**Autumn 2021**



Mrs. Alison Williams

*Hello and welcome to our Autumn Term newsletter. For those of you who read the Summer Term newsletter I apologise for the repetition of introductions but we have lots of new parents who I would like to introduce us to. For those of you who haven't met me, my name is Alison Williams and I am the SENDCo. I have been teaching at Wrockwardine Wood for over ten years and have been the SENDCo for many of those! I am hoping that termly newsletters will help keep you in the loop of what is happening in school but also what is happening in the community to help support you. If there is anything specific you would like to see in future newsletters please drop me an email to let me know. SEND Contact Details:*

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I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the SEND Link governor for the school. My name is Samantha Az-zopardi-Tudor and I have been a parent governor at the school since 2014. I am passionate about my involvement in SEND and working with the SENCo and the children to further develop my understanding and knowledge of the current SEND provision. I will be working as a champion for children with SEND, supporting everyone involved in the process where I can. My aim is to meet regularly with staff to gain information about the provision made for children with special educational needs and to monitor the implementation of the SEND policy. I would also like to observe at first-hand what happens in school both inside and outside the classroom to ensure that SEND pupils are actively involved in all aspects of school life and take opportunities to meet and talk with parents of SEND children.



*Telford and Wrekin produce their own SEND newsletter on their local offer. It is full of updates, useful training and links to other agencies.*

[SEND News \(telfordsend.org.uk\)](http://telfordsend.org.uk)

*Follow the link to read this month's update. If you register you can receive the newsletters straight to your inbox.*

*Current training booked in for staff to improve the outcomes of our children with SEND:*

### **Teach Speech**

*A Speech and Language Therapy led training session, training us on how to teach specific speech sounds that children struggle with.*

### **Precision Teaching**

*Our LSAT (Learning Support Advisory Teacher) Sarah Court, will be delivering training on Precision Teaching which is used to teach high frequency word (HFW) spelling and reading.*

### **National Network of Mental Health Leads**

*I have signed up to take part in this training, running from the Spring Term to make sure we are doing everything we can to support our children's mental health.*



**PODS (Parents Opening Doors) Charity**

Home - [PODS \(podstelford.org\)](http://podstelford.org) 01952 458047

**PODS WAS SET UP IN 2008 AS PART OF THE AIMING HIGH FOR DISABLED CHILDREN STRATEGY FROM CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.**

We are now completely independent having been supported by Parent Partnership in our fledgling years, for which we are very thankful.

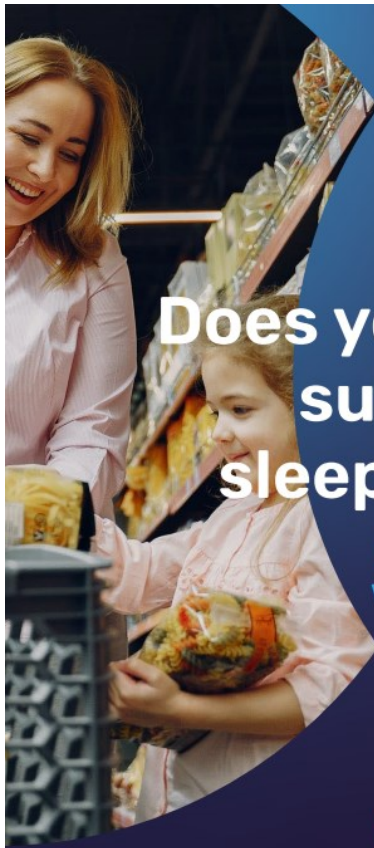
Involving & Supporting Families Who Have a Child or Young Person With a Disability or Additional Need (age 0-25)  
**"Together We Can Make a Difference"**

PODS are currently offering some online training from their Educational Psychologist team. Follow the link to see what is available.

[PODS Educational Psychologist Open Sessions Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

*PODS run an online Lego club on Wednesdays during term time. They try to encourage children to improve their social and communication skills by playing different Lego based games and share their builds. Please contact Uma by email if you are interested:*

[uma@podstelford.org](mailto:uma@podstelford.org)



the national sleep helpline

**Does your child suffer with sleep issues?**

**Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?**

**Will your child not sleep in their own bed?**

**WE CAN HELP**

**03303 530 541**

Available Sunday - Thursday 7pm - 9pm

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**Around 50% of children will have a sleep issue at some point\***

**WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?**

In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

**HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?**

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

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