

SEND NEWS SPLASH

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Would you like a job where you have the opportunity to make a difference to the lived experiences of children, young people and families in Swindon?

If the answer is yes, we have the perfect role for you!

On the 1st of April, we launched Swindon's new SEND and Inclusion Service, which is part of Swindon's One Children's Service and is responsible for carrying out the local authority statutory duties for children with SEND as well as strategically leading on developments to improve educational outcomes for children and young people.

We are looking to recruit to a new role of SEND Inclusion Manager, who will be responsible for developing the graduated response, workforce development, traded/commissioned services and the Local Offer. If successful, you will play a pivotal role in shaping the future service we offer, working collaboratively with the senior leadership team and partners to strategically plan and drive forward the inclusion vision for Swindon. To achieve this we need a determined and dynamic leader who has experience in leading services, delivering change and who puts children and young people at the heart of the work they do.

If you are interested in joining a friendly, determined and innovative service, please visit Swindon Careers page which can be found [HERE](#).



MUM PRAISES ST LUKE'S SCHOOL FOR HELPING DAUGHTER POPPY DURING LOCKDOWN

Swindon Borough Council (SBC) values the importance of positive stories that impact the lives of the Swindon residents that we serve, as well as celebrating examples of best practice in the local area. The news story, provided in the link below, highlights the positive impact that St Luke's School has had on the lives of one young person and their family through on-going contact and support during these unprecedented times.

Please click [here to see the full story](#).



PROMOTING POSITIVE TRANSITIONS

As we approach the phased opening of schools/settings to increasingly more pupils, there will inevitably be much to do and plan for to ensure a positive transition for all. Swindon Educational Psychology Service (EPS) has produced some guidance called 'Promoting Positive Transition During and After a Pandemic'.

The guidance provides settings with a clear psychological framework and underlying principles to support pupils back into settings, to promote their wellbeing, which will help move them towards being ready to learn. The guidance takes a trauma informed approach, which aims to promote pupils sense of safety and their relationships. This will help ensure that this transition period gives them, and the whole school community, time to recover."

To read the guidance, Promoting Positive Transition During and After a Pandemic, [please click here](#).



SURVEY FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Swindon SEND Families Voice, the parent carer forum for Swindon, are running a survey to find out how parents and carers have been supported by services (including schools, social care, health services etc.) during the Covid-19 outbreak.

To find out more [please click here](#).



To complete the survey [please click here](#).



SEND SERVICE CONTACT DETAILS

Due to the current situation, the SEND Service is working with limited capacity. To speak to a member of staff, please call 07824 868353 or 07971 715864 or email SENAT@swindon.gov.uk and we will answer your query in 48 - 72 hours. Our telephone lines are open Monday to Thursday 8-5, and 8-4.30 Friday.