

OT SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD



July 2023

Bringing OT into Schools

The growing population of Newham means that the number of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) has significantly increased.

Since January 2023, we have launched our new School Model which is allowing us to work more closely with schools and see children much faster.

We are now working in school hubs, covering geographical areas and supporting your school in ensuring OT is embedded into the schools programme to enable children with SEND to be fully included into school life.

We are very excited about working collaboratively with you all to deliver this new service and we appreciate your support as we grow and adapt the service!

Thanks to our Resource Provision Schools who helped make this launch possible!

Special thanks to Alex at Essex Primary for running a wonderful Get Set for Learning Group for your KS1 children. We especially loved how you adapted our group pack to fit the needs of your children. Thank you for being so adaptable and flexible with us, always making time for meetings to problem solve and plan sessions collaboratively. You can see how invested in you are in your children and their learning.

Special thanks to Hana for providing some feedback on the training we delivered. We can see how you have been implementing some different sensory strategies with the students in the resource provision group. Thank you for being so adaptable and responsive to the OT process, setting up the training for your staff and working collaboratively with our team to support your students.

Special thanks to Rania and all Sandringham TA's for being so prepared on our first visit with a list of children who would benefit from the schools model. Thank you for being so responsive providing space and helping us set up meetings with the TA's to handover information, this helps us to structure our days and be around to be a sounding board to the staff looking after the children.

Special thanks to Geraint and all Sir John Heron support staff who have been adaptive with us coming to complete seating reviews. Special mention to Onju for being so accommodating at reception, setting up WiFi access and always going above and beyond when making requests.

Mainstream Schools we have not forgotten about you!

You will be seeing a lot more of us moving forward into the next school year. Remember to use the School Hub Contact Line for any OT advice and to check out our training offer for next year!



Universal Resources

We have an excellent bank of resources available on our website and YouTube channel which provide strategies and approaches to help with a range of difficulties.

OT website -

<https://www.efft.nhs.uk/scyps/our-services/occupational-therapy>

Youtube Channel -

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLwOPyfiPrssVpK3hlc5F-ZjO8AJ6-s69j>

School Hub Line

Tel: 020 8586 6266

Tuesday 8:30am - 10:30am

Thursday 3:00pm - 5:00pm

Announcements

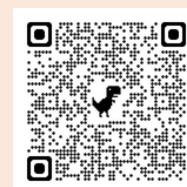


Video of the Term

Sensory Activities Video –

In this video you can find excellent strategies in how to support your child to stay regulated and calm. You can also use this video as a springboard to explore other videos in our Occupational therapy playlist.

<https://youtu.be/FK-BOfB-YCI>



Upcoming Training

We will be updating our training package over the school holidays. Please check our website for new dates starting in September.

If you would like bespoke training for your individual school needs. Please talk your hub lead or alternatively call the School Hub Contact Line.

Training Brochure:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/scyps/our-services/occupational-therapy/working-schools-newham>

We will be producing a noticeboard each term to provide you with useful updates and exciting projects taking place in your area.



Visit our website:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/scyps/our-services/occupational-therapy>

