

DSPL5 Newsletter

June 2022

WELCOME

Only a few weeks left until Summer! Thank you for your continued engagement with DSPL 5. We are making some great progress in our collaborative working and we are excited to see the impact we can make in the new academic year. The DSPL 5 team hope you have a well-deserved break over summer!

Please see below the updated Services Overview below.

DSPL 5 Services Overview

Service	Overview	Referral Criteria	Support I can expect
SEND Family Support Available to families with children with SEND. Supporting children and young people from age 5-14	Early intervention support for families with children with SEND, whereby the child's needs are impacting their education. This service will offer advice and/or strategies to support their child with SEND.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child must have or be on the pathway to having a diagnosis of ASD or ADHD Child must be in a mainstream setting Child must attend school in DSPL 5 Service also available to EHE CYP in DSPL 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support with understanding ASD/ADHD Support with increasing reduced timetables Structure and routine Sleep and bedtime Sensory processing Visual support Social Stories Social skills, support with anxiety Signposting to external agencies and charities
Early Years and KS1 Support Available to all Early years and primary settings.	EY and KS1 support for families with a child with SEND, impacting their education.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for child, family and setting Children with SEND, unable to manage in their setting Children displaying challenging behaviours and unable to self-regulate Children likely to need an EHC needs assessment or those already with an EHCP Whole settings in need of support Not already supported by 0-5 team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In class support; QFT and RA advice Transition support plans written and followed up Settling in support Multi agency working with family, setting, ISL Sign posting with ISL and/or external agencies/charities SLCN and Nurture support Hubs of excellence and good practice
DSPL 5 Triage Service Available to all DSPL 5 settings	First step of the pathway of referrals to DSPL 5 services and Behaviour Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any setting can book a slot to discuss a child's need. SEMH, Behaviour, SEND 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time to discuss the child's need Advice, support and signposting
NESSie Therapeutic Support Available to Primary and secondary aged CYP	Focused therapeutic support for children/young people unable to access full time education due to SEMH, Neurodiversity, and Behaviour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CYP on a significantly reduced timetable or at risk of being on a reduced timetable due to SEMH, Neurodiversity, and/or Behaviour. CYP not currently accessing school due to the above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly therapy sessions, initially for 12 weeks Regular reports and feedback to school, family and any agency involved Advice and strategies shared with school, family and any agency involved Support for schools in increasing the CYP timetable

Diary Dates Autumn Term 2022

LHNF Panel	SEND Briefing	SENCO Forum
21 st September 2022 (deadline for applications 9 th September) 19 th October 2022 (deadline for applications 7 th October) 24 th November 2022 (deadline for applications 11 th November)	8 th December 2022	4 th October 2022 30 th November 2022

Introduction to the SEND Local Offer website

LITEBITES



An introduction to the [Hertfordshire SEND Local Offer website](#) by senior web content officer, Claudia Ferlisi.

We'll go through what's on the website and how it can help you in your role with signposting families.

To attend, save your preferred time and date in your diary along with the joining link for MS Teams.

Thursday 7 July, 11am - 11.45am:
[Session 1 joining link](#)

Monday 11 July, 2pm - 2.45pm:
[Session 2 joining link](#)

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/local-offer/the-hertfordshire-local-offer.aspx>

Thursday 7 th July 11- 11.45am Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting	Monday 11 th July 2 – 2.45pm Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting
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**School Doctor – Free Online Conference for Teachers AND Parents
Recognition and Early Intervention for Children and Young People with Support Needs to
Access Education**

To register: www.eventbrite.com/e/348045362047



SCHOOL DOCTOR™

SCHOOL DOCTOR LAUNCH AND FREE ONLINE CONFERENCE FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS

Free online conference for teachers and other educational professionals, parents, and caregivers – **9.15am to 2.00pm on Friday, 7th October 2022**

Recognition and Early Intervention for Children and Young People with Support Needs to Access Education

For teachers, this will provide CPD as evidence for the School Improvement Plan (SIP), Ofsted, and Individual Performance Management Targets.

For parents and caregivers, this will offer advice on common neurodevelopmental conditions in children and young people, and where to go in the system for support.

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TALKING



FAMILIES



Because parents don't get training for the toughest job on earth!



TUESDAYS

1st November - 6th December 2022

7.00 - 9.00pm

Our FREE 6 week course for parents and carers of children aged 0-12 will help you to:

- Understand and respond to challenging behaviour with consistency
- Encourage positive behaviour
- Build your child's self esteem
- Set and maintain boundaries
- Respond to outbursts and difficult feelings in children
- Feel good about your parenting and more positive in your relationship with your children

'It was a brilliant course and has made a huge difference already, I can't thank you enough'

**Stevenage Family Centre
Herts**

(Exact venue to be confirmed)

'It has taught me new skills to deal with family life, and the group were really non-judgemental'

Pre-booking essential

To check eligibility and book a place, contact Supporting Links on:

07512 709556

bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk

QUOTING REFERENCE SL380

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Parent and Carer Support Online Courses Autumn Term 2022



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- Developing a strong parent/child relationship now and for the future.



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Course 528

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Stevenage**

TALKING TEENS

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- The link between behaviour and communicating difficult feelings.
- How to maintain your relationship with good communication.
- Understanding risk taking behaviour around drugs, alcohol and gang culture.
- How to negotiate and reduce conflict.



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- Find strategies that really work.
- Understand conflict: why it happens and how to handle it.
- Manage anger effectively.
- Motivate, encourage and support your child.
- Manage different needs within your family.



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St Albans**



Sessions will be run over Zoom so you will need access to a device such as a phone, tablet or computer with a webcam and microphone. We will help you get set up if you haven't used Zoom before. No special skills are needed.

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'I have been on a few courses to help me with my son, this was by far the most helpful.'

Fleetville Family Centre

**Off Woodstock Rd South
ST ALBANS AL1 4QJ**
Parking available in Morrisons supermarket.

'I was in a lot of distress as I had no idea how to deal with my daughter's anger and frustration, now I have harmony in my home and I feel more in control and less

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**Spot the Signs – Youth Suicide Prevention Training
(Parents/Carers and Family Members)**



The aim of this training is to help parents, carers and family members to recognise when their young people are experiencing suicidal thoughts and provide next steps support, along with practical advice, information and signposting.

If you are a parent, carer or family member over 18 and living or working in Hertfordshire, please visit the following link for more information and to sign-up for your FREE space:

www.hertsmindnetworkcyp.org/training-workshops/spot-the-signs-emotional-wellbeing/spot-the-signs-youth-suicide-prevention-parents-carers-family-members

**For further information about the training, please contact:
Jess Whittaker – jessica.whittaker@hertsmindnetwork.org**

Handling Anger in Your Family

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Facilitated by Lesley and Francine who are trained, qualified and experienced facilitators and parents too with 20 + years personal and professional experience.



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- ✓ Learn proven and effective strategies that will reduce anger in your family
- ✓ Discover new ways to communicate to calm and prevent anger... before it occurs!
- ✓ Learn safe and creative ways for children to 'let go' of pent up emotions safely
- ✓ Create a calm family environment so all can talk about their emotions safely
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- ✓ Meet other parents in a calm, judgement-free group

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October 3rd, 10th, 17th

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A Complete Guide to Parenting Children with ALL Special Educational Need

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SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

JULY

- Sat 30th Lego Club
- Sat 30th Graffiti Session
- Sun 31st Introduction To Golf



AUGUST

- Mon 1st Online Cooking Session
- Thu 4th Pottery Painting
- Fri 5th Online Kids Art
- Sat 6th Driving Experience
- Sun 7th Outdoor Play
- Wed 10th Animal Encounter
- Sat 13th Aerial gymnastics and relaxation
- Thu 18th Pottery Painting
- Fri 19th Online Parent / Carers Art
- Sat 20th Driving Experience
- Sat 20th Softplay
- Sat 27th Lego Club



SEPTEMBER

- Fri 2nd Online Childrens Art
- Sat 3rd Trampolining
- Sun 4th Outdoor Play
- Sun 4th Introduction to Golf

spaceherts.eventbrite.co.uk



Autism | ADHD
Neurodiverse Conditions