

# BOURNE SEND Newsletter Autumn Term 2023

# Welcome Back

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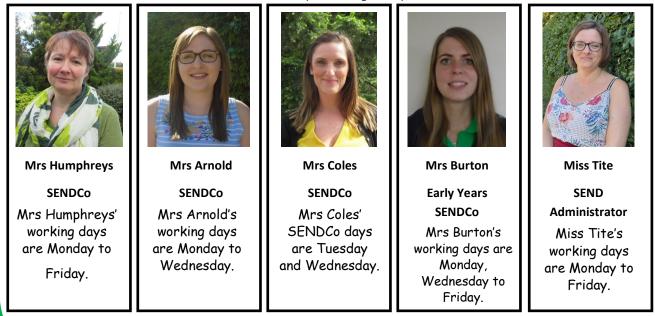
Primary Academy

Welcome back to all our pupils and parents, and it's been lovely to meet parents of our new Reception children. The children have all settled back into school routines well and are eager to learn!

#### Meet the Team

The SEND team have had a restructure this academic year. Moving forward, if your child is on our SEND register, they will be given an assigned SENDCo who will be responsible for all documentation, meetings and referrals for their designated children.

You will receive a letter shortly outlining who your child's SENDCo is.



Please be aware that due to some members of the team working part time, you may have to wait up to 5 working days to get a response from your assigned SENDCo. Your SENDCo will however endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.

### **Key Dates**

Thursday 5th October - 9am to 10:30am: SEND coffee morning—Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum.

Wednesday 8th, 15th, 22nd, & 29th November - 1:30pm to 3pm:

SUMO: Stop Understand and Move On. A course for parents to help better understand themselves and their children.

Tuesday 28th November - 9am to 10:30am:

SEND Coffee Morning - Focus TBC.

## Jargon Buster

- SEND Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
- SENDCo Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator
- **IEP** Individual Education Plan
- SALT Speech and Language Therapist
- **EP** Educational Psychologist
- **STT** Specialist Teaching Team
- CAMHS Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service
- ESA Enhanced Support Assistant
- EHCP Education, Health and Care Plan



SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health

SEMH is a broad term used to define a range of different needs that children and young people may have at any given time and the impact that these needs may have on their wellbeing and ability to learn. SEMH needs can be attributed to many different causes, some less obvious than others. Life experiences, genetic factors, environments all play a part and all need to be considered.

Children and young people may experience a wide range of social and emotional difficulties which manifest themselves in many ways. These may include becoming withdrawn or isolated, as well as displaying challenging, disruptive, or disturbing behaviour. Emotional regulation, recognising and normalising emotions and the ability to manage stress, build resilience skills and understand others' emotions can affect children and young people's sense of wellbeing, access to the community, ability to solve problems and learn effectively.

The Mental Health Continuum (below) shows the different positions children and young people can be in regarding their emotional wellbeing and mental health.

