



Lawley Primary School

SEND Coffee Afternoon



Summer term:

It has been a very busy and hot summer term here at Lawley!

The **Inclusion and Wellbeing Council** proudly presented their final assembly of the year, helping pupils reflect on our school values and their links to the British Values. Their message reinforced the importance of kindness, respect, equality and inclusion, reminding everyone that every member of our school community is valued. The assembly was engaging, thoughtful and an excellent showcase of the council's hard work and dedication throughout the year.

The council has also begun developing our **Sensory Garden**, creating a dedicated space designed to promote calm, wellbeing and self-regulation. One of its most popular features so far is the 'Fidget Tree', which has already been warmly received by pupils. This exciting project will continue to grow and evolve over time, providing a welcoming and supportive environment for any child who may benefit from a quieter space during busy lunchtimes. We look forward to seeing the garden flourish into a valuable resource for our whole school community.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent **SEND Coffee Afternoon**. During the session, we welcomed **Jenny Nally from Family Hubs**, who shared valuable information about the wide range of support, activities and services available to families, particularly throughout the summer holidays. Parents appreciated the opportunity to learn more about local resources and ask questions in a relaxed and supportive environment. We look forward to hosting more opportunities for families to connect and access helpful information in the future.



If you missed the session, but would like more information, please visit their website:

<https://www.telfordfamilyhubs.co.uk/>

Supporting children during the holiday:

As we begin the summer holiday, maintaining some familiar routines can help children with SEND feel secure and reduce anxiety. Simple strategies such as visual timetables, regular mealtimes and consistent bedtimes can provide helpful structure while still allowing time to relax and enjoy the break.

The holidays are also a great opportunity to build independence through everyday activities. Involving children in cooking, shopping, gardening or planning outings can help develop important life skills in a fun and meaningful way. Remember to celebrate small achievements and focus on your child's strengths and interests.

For children who find busy environments overwhelming, consider visiting local parks or attractions during quieter times. Sensory activities such as water play, arts and crafts, walking, or creating a calm space at home can also support wellbeing and emotional regulation.

Most importantly, be kind to yourselves. The holidays do not need to be packed with activities. Spending quality time together, getting plenty of rest and enjoying simple family moments can be just as beneficial. **We wish all our families a happy, safe and enjoyable summer.**

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