

# STLS Newsletter Term 5

Welcome everyone to our term 5 newsletter of the 2021/2022 academic year.

#### **National Numeracy Day 2022 - 18th May**

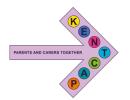
Sign up to be a National Numeracy Day Champion and help your school get number confident! In the build up to 18 May 2022 you will receive free, fun materials and resources to use and share. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to go to the website.



#### **SCHOOLS TRANSITION EVENT**

The Primary & Secondary transition event will be held at **Canterbury Academy** on **23rd June 10am - 2pm.** 

This will give all schools the opportunity to share information, network and organise dates for further discussions and meetings. Refreshments will be provided. Transition forms have already been emailed out to all SENCOs but can also be accessed HERE



#### KENT PACT AGM

Kent PACT (Parents and Carers Together) are hosting our 1st AGM in Ashford on Tuesday **24th May 2022**. The event will celebrate the impact that we have made since our launch event that we held last year that was a huge success and include our Annual General Meeting.

We will be bringing together Parents, Carers and Professionals, with guest speakers and opportunities to meet our team and other organisations in our Marketplace.

You can find the flyer **HERE** 

#### SOLIHULL RECONNECT

There are still places on the Solihull Reconnect event on **20th May**. Participants must have completed the 2 day Foundation course if they wish to attend.

Contact Emma Harrison:

**E.Harrison@stns.org.uk** to book your place & state any dietary requirements.

## Useful Information

#### **KCC - Kent Reconnect programme update**

The Reconnect Programme aims to help children & young people reconnect with their pre-Covid-19 lives and the things they've missed during the pandemic.

- \* Visit Reconnect: Kent children & young people website HERE
- \* Like & share the new Reconnect Facebook page LINK HERE
- Visit the HAF website <u>HERE</u>



#### **Energy Grants & Support**

Help for families information via KCC CLICK HERE

East Area Directory of Support Services

LINK HERE



**Bedgebury Foundation** - Financial awards and grants for your school are available. Closing date for applications is 17th May 2022. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to go to the website for further information and to apply.



#### **Positive Behaviour Support Awareness Course**

Kent & Medway are running this course on a range of dates over 2 mornings from June 2022 to March 2023.

Please see the flyer on our website under the schools tab:  $\underline{\text{CLICK}}$   $\underline{\text{HERE}}$ 

#### **HeadStart Kent - Celebration & Learning Event**

This event is being held on **Wednesday 8th June - 9:30am-2:30pm** at Kent Event Centre, Detling. Exploring the highs and lows of managing a complex programme, which engaged and supported young people, parents, schools and community settings. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. To register for the event please complete this form - <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Please direct any questions to Jenny Hanna - Jenny.Hanna@kent.gov.uk

### **EARLY YEARS ZONE**

#### **LIFT ADVICE**



- While we have had to limit the number of cases brought by nurseries to 2 per LIFT due to high levels of requests, this doesn't limit the number of children that can be brought over the academic year.
  - We are committed to supporting children with complex needs and therefore children can be brought to alternative LIFTs if we have the capacity.
    - ◆ The 'What To Do Before Coming To LIFT Checklist' is now on our website CLICK HERE
- Copies of Targeted or Personalised Plans/BPG checklists must be sent with LIFT referral paperwork.
- Please remember to complete referrals using the most recent form also available <u>HERE</u> and email referrals to lift@stns.org.uk or if using Egress: m.rapley@stns.org.uk
- Make sure you use the MAT, the updated personalised plans and forms that reflect the CURRENT EYFS levels of the children you wish to be discussed.
- In order to ensure the LIFT process is effective for all, the correct paperwork as detailed above is
  essential to secure a place on the agenda.

#### The Prime Importance of Communication and Language webinar is now available.

The webinar is **free of charge** to view. Your whole staff team can have access to this (Please note, the webinar is lengthy, so please do pause at regular intervals to rest and take time away from your screen).

· The course reflects all of the messages in the face to face training, which it is hoped will recommence as soon as possible. It has been jointly recorded by the Early Years & Childcare, Equality & Inclusion Team and the Speech and Language Therapy Team.

#### The course aims/objective:

- · Increase practitioner knowledge of the developmental stages of speech, language and communication.
- · Understand the strategies used to monitor and support communication development and share effective practice from Every Child a Talker (ECAT)

To access this webinar please **CLICK HERE** 

Attention Autism Approach - ideas for each stage - CLICK HERE

Healthy Minds Website to support well-being - CLICK HERE

The new parent guide - 'What to expect when in the EYFS 2021' can be found <u>HERE</u> (It is also on our website <u>HERE</u>)

**Transition Events** - **18th May - Venue TBC & 20th May - Virtual** - Emails with info gathering sheet & details have been sent out. Contact m.rapley@stns.org.uk if you haven't received it.