

SEND NEWS SPLASH

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UPDATE ON THE “WELLBEING FOR EDUCATION RETURN”

To support teachers and education staff to recognise, understand and respond appropriately to the range of mental health and wellbeing issues which may be presented by children and young people returning to school, the DfE working in partnership with other government departments, have provided a new, nationally developed training package for education staff together with funding to appoint local experts to work with local partners to adapt the national training to meet the needs of education settings in Swindon.

A small working group has been established to nominate local experts to attend the national training programme during September and to then disseminate this to education settings in Swindon. We will make best use of the resources already available in Swindon. Barnardo's and the Education Psychology Service have booked staff onto the national training and will then work together to tweak the resources to ensure they provide the best information to Swindon Education Settings.

UPLANDS ENTERPRISE TRUST SHORT BREAKS

Uplands Enterprise Trust (UET) is delighted to have opened the doors of its new short breaks provision this September.

The provision provides a fun and safe environment after school, at weekends and during the holidays for children and young people aged 5-17 with SEND.

Children are provided with opportunity to explore activities such as outdoor games, arts and crafts, cooking, homework assistance and more.

UET Short Breaks is open Tuesday to Friday 3.30-6pm and 10-4pm on Saturday and Sunday as well as school holidays.

Costing is dependent on support needs with prices starting at £8 per hour.

Spaces are limited due to high demand, so please contact us for more information or to secure your place now.

Please contact Hayley Farmer at hfarmer@uet.charity.

Referrals and enquiries, in the first instance, need to go through Aiming High at aiminghigh@swindon.gov.uk but if anyone wants to self fund they can contact UET directly.

Speech and Language Therapy Service autumn newsletter

Speech and Language Therapy Services' most recent newsletter can be found on their website here: [A Pinch of SALT, A brief update from Children's Speech & Language Therapy Services in Swindon.](#)

The newsletter includes an update on their provision during COVID-19, staffing changes and much more!

SEND Service contact details

Call 07824 868353 or 07971 715864 (telephone lines are open Monday to Thursday 8-5 and 8-4.30 Friday) or email SENAT@swindon.gov.uk.