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SEND FAMILIES NEWS SPLASH The August edition of the SEND Families News Splash is out now.

In this edition the Early Years Quality and Inclusion Team and the the Educational Psychology Service have written information and advice

for parents preparing to send their children and young people to pre-school settings or into primary or secondary schools in September.

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Back to school message



A message from Lisa Savage, Head of SEND.

Well here we are! Another summer holiday has passed and we are at the start of a new academic year. I really do not know where the time goes, it certainly seems to fly by the older you get.

It has been a very busy summer in the world of SEND and over the coming weeks we will share with you some of the work that we have been doing that is in addition to our business as usual. We have had a number of staff changes over the summer with colleagues leaving Swindon for promotion opportunities with other Local Authorities and whilst it is always difficult when staff leave we are extremely proud that the support and experiences that they have had whilst in Swindon has given them the skills to move on to greater things.

As the new term is upon us I am sure that many of you will be glad to get back into routine. But there will be lots of mixed emotions, I am sure, with our children and young people full of trepidation and excitement as they meet their new school/new classes and indeed new friends as well as reconnecting with friends that they have not seen over the summer.

Happy Men Academic Gear!

Colour Blind Awareness Day

On 6th September it is Colour Blind Awareness Day and this year's theme is around the statement: '300 million people live with colour blindness and they need more recognition and support. What will you do?'

Colour blindness (or colour vision deficiency) is a fairly common condition in which you don't see colours in the traditional way.

Visit the colour vision deficiency NHS website page for more information: <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/colour-vision-deficiency/</u>

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