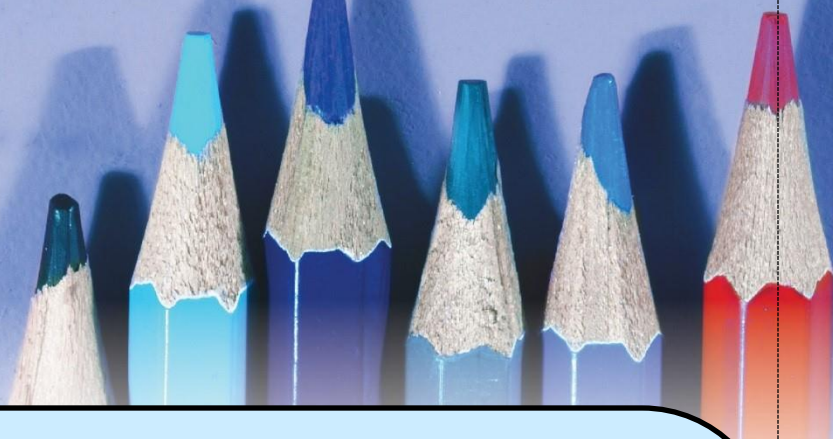


30th March 2021

SEaTSS Weekly Newsletter Issue 7



Year 6 Transition Programme has started

After the success of our Yr 6 Transition Programme last year, we have over 240 + students referred this year. Currently groupings/ staff are being worked out ready to start after the Easter break.

The Programme began last week with a very well received Parents Q & A Session, with over 80 Parents joining. I am sure that this helped alleviate many concerns and worries. Families and Schools will be contacted soon about the details of the Summer Programme.

Extra Staff at SEaTSS are excited to be involved this year, as students joining the Programme last year benefited hugely from the extra preparation and meeting their new friends, before school started in September.



SEaTSS You Tube Channel



Click on the link to see the latest videos loaded on the SEaTSS You Tube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYvQ3ULh0WWJAYVzcV7xZoQ>

SEaTSS Staff back in Schools



Staff are intending to arrange to visit in Schools after the break. SEaTSS staff will have access to PPE and Lateral flow testing.

Schools are requested to let us know how and when you want us to visit. This could be by sharing their Risk Assessment or simply guiding us on the requirements our staff need to follow when visiting you in School.

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Referring a **NEW** student with a Visual Impairment to SEaTSS for support?

Moving forward, if you wish to refer a student with a visual impairment, you need to ensure that a Medical Permission form is completed, in addition to a SEaTSS referral. A copy is attached to this Newsletter, and you will find a copy on the front page of www.redbridgeserc.org



SEaTSS/ Joseph Clark are unable to begin support, until they have access to medical information. To speed up the process, please ensure this this completed at time of referrals

Manual Handling Training

A 2-day course training staff who will need to handle/ lift students from wheelchairs/ hoists etc.

Positive Handling Training

A 2-day course, looking at ways to defuse situations and safe ways of holding and moving a student who needs 'hands on' safe handling/ de-escalation.

SENCO Drop in sessions

will be reducing to once a week -
THURSDAYS

Throughout the past year, we have offered a SENCO Drop several times a week. Many of you have used this facility - sometimes more than once a week. The demand for these sessions has now dropped.

You will be sent a link for Thursdays SENCO drop ins, but you can contact your SEaTSS Manager at any time should you have a problem or need support.

Reception students moving across for SEaTSS Yr 1 support.

EY staff have highlighted students in your schools who they feel may need ongoing support.

Hand over meetings have been completed between EY and SEaTSS staff.



During the Summer term, SEaTSS staff will familiarise themselves with the students and direct support will start in Yr 1. Please prioritise the use of your 'Non-Stat' time for these children, if you have concerns.

These practical 'hands on' courses are starting again. If you are interested arranging a session for your school staff or joining a combined group – please email SEaTSS and we will be in contact.

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TRAINING

Are you thinking of CPD for your school in the Summer or Autumn Term?
SEaTSS has over 40 prepared CPD sessions prepared on all aspects of SEND- and dates are being booked as far away as December.

Increasingly popular are more bespoke CPD sessions for Schools linked to areas in School Development Plan – often looking at a more holistic approach such as Differentiation, SEND planning, Supporting Language strategies in Class, Whole School SPLD support and strategies.

We will also return to issuing a Termly CPD programme in the Summer term covering over 40 different areas.

If you would like to request training, please use the generic SEaTSS referral form or if you would like to discuss some options for your school- please contact

clair.warner@redbridge.gov.uk



Engagement Model and Pre-Key Stage Standards Training has been hugely popular. Additional dates have been offered to ensure more can attend.

There is now an Engagement Model Working party for SENCOs and Staff, and we are trying to create Redbridge developmental scale for those children at P5-P8.

We will share all work created in these working parties with all SENCO's

If you would like to be involved – let us know

Annual Review/ Reports

SEaTSS Staff endeavor to attend as many Annual Reviews as possible. Please give Staff plenty of notice, and they will try to arrange their week so they can attend. If attending, Staff will not submit a report, as their views will be collated with others at the meeting. If they are not able to attend, Staff will submit a report. SENCOs/ Parents can request a copy of the Student's Support log and any strategy sheets completed at any time – simply ask your SEaTSS Teacher.

Families

SEaTSS working with RIASS and Empowering Parents

After Easter we will be working with EPT and RIASS to deliver some live sessions for families whose children attend a Mainstream School and are working at P levels and have the most complex needs.



Look out for dates after the Easter break, and hopefully we will see you at some of the sessions

FREE Family Link App



Next term SEaTSS will be running Internet/ Social Media safety sessions for Parents. Children / Young People are spending longer online due the restrictions of Covid, but many Parents are not aware of many of the social media platforms and how vulnerable many students are.

<https://families.google.com/familylink/>

Take a look at this app, it comes highly recommended.

Does your child have Dyslexia/ Dyspraxia?
Is your child disorganised?
Do they need extra help/ support?

Secondary



In the new term we are going to be running Parent's sessions for children who are moving to Secondary School to give you practical ideas of how to help.

We are also intending to run some additional sessions for Parents whose children attend Secondary School and have these needs.

Look out for our flyer coming out after the break or register your interest at seatss@redbridge.gov.uk

Do you have children who are learning early skills and concepts?

Foundation learning skills



Follow Five Minute Mum on Facebook and Instagram for great fun ideas every day

No special equipment- just practical fun ideas, families can slot into everyday life

What is new?

PINTEREST ...

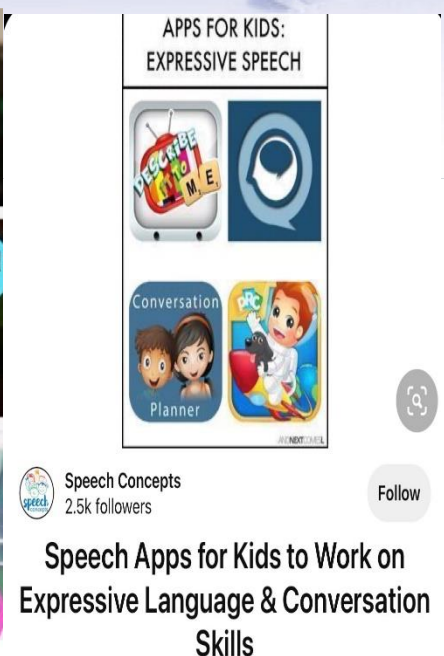
We are lucky to have Spring break this week- if you have not explored Pinterest – take a look There are a huge number of SALT, OT, Learning, Motor and Study Skills ideas listed FREE to make an account and then you search easily. Here are some great links that are worth a look. Easy to download the APP or you can access via the website.



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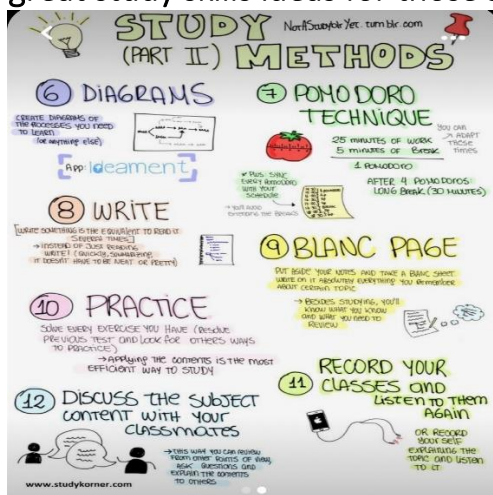


Article from Lessons Learnt Journal - 29 Oct 2012
Prepositions: Vocabulary for Beginning Readers

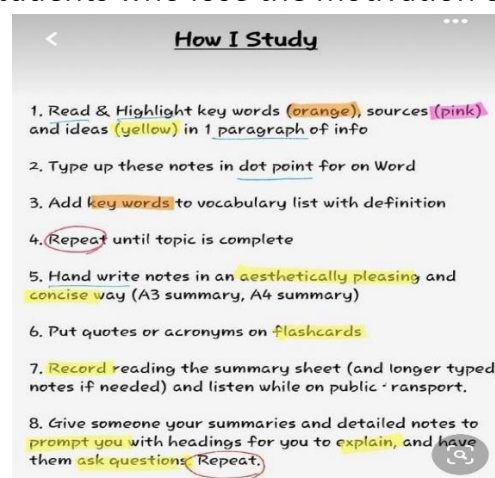


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