

# Early Years SEN Team



The Early Years Special Educational Needs ( EY SEN) Team offers advice and support to families who have children under 5 with Complex Needs or Autism (or awaiting diagnoses.) We are a small service made up of 2 Home Support Workers and a Service Manager who work across Lambeth. We also have the Children and Young People's Disability Register Coordinator who coordinates the disabilities register from 0 up to 18 years.

Our service aims to:

- Offer support and advice to parents/carers.
- Provide specific training, advice and support for our Early Years Professionals in order to create an inclusive learning environment.
- To enable children with additional needs to access an Early Years provision to promote holistic development.
- To work collaboratively with parents, carers, and professionals to promote the best outcomes for children.

## Where can I find support and advice about Autism?

Lambeth offers a number of different drop-ins and coffee mornings that are specific for children with ASD where you can access support and advice.

- The EY SEN Team provides termly topic based drop-ins across the borough. Please see separate leaflet for the most up to date information.
- Lark Hall Outreach Team provide workshops around specific subjects across the borough. For more up to date information contact [www.larkhall.lambeth.sch.uk/outreach/parent-information](http://www.larkhall.lambeth.sch.uk/outreach/parent-information)
- Lambeth National Autistic Society have a coffee morning the first Tuesday of every month at Trinity Church on Clapham Common.
- Our Lambeth Children Centres currently provide numerous inclusive stay and play sessions. Have a look at your local centre programme to see what's on offer.
- We are delighted to be able to run the EarlyBird Parenting Programme for families with children with an Autism diagnosis. For more information please contact [earlybird@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:earlybird@lambeth.gov.uk) or 020 7926 9966

## My child has complex needs, what can I expect?

Our Home Support Workers offer a service to children who have complex developmental needs. Our referrals for this service come via Health Professionals working with the family. We usually work with children that are often too young for nursery, therefore, we offer fortnightly visits to the home to deliver a range of play intervention skills to promote the child's development and support the family as needed. When the time is right, we support and liaise with your chosen nursery to ensure a smooth transition into an educational environment.

Additionally, our Home Support Officers provide specialist stay and play sessions. These are by referral only, so if you are interested, please speak to your Home Support Officer.

## Enhanced Provisions

Within Lambeth we have 6 enhanced nurseries, each with 4 places for children with additional needs. These nurseries have been identified as being able to provide specialist support and are given extra funding to support training and equipment. They also receive a high level of training and support from external professionals to be able to meet the children's needs appropriately.

Enhanced settings:

### Little Hazels

Windmill Drive, SW4 9DE  
020 8673 5736

### Stockwell Children's Centre

Burgoyne Road, SW9 9QJ  
020 7274 7687

### Jessop Children's Centre

Lowden Road, SE24 0BJ  
020 7737 6164

### Coin Street Children's Centre

108 Stamford Street, SE1 9HN  
020 7021 1670

### Cherry Tree Nursery Children's Centre

8 Barston Road, SE27 9HE  
020 8761 3835

### Dewdrops Children's Centre

1-4 The High Parade, Streatham  
High Road, SW16 1EX  
020 8769 8967

## Children & Young People's Disability Register

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person aged 0-18 years with a disability, you could be entitled to a Lambeth Liberty card. This enables you to claim discounts, queue jumps from a number of providers and also gives you recognition where a disability is not always obvious. If you would like more information or to register please contact Tracy Imms on the details at the bottom of the page.

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