

# SPECIAL SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER



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## USEFUL CONTACTS:

### Continence:

Solent 0300 123 3797

### Specialist Dental Services:

#### Havant Dental Team

0300 123 5096

### Orthotics:

02381 032800

### Wheelchair Services:

01323 847250

### Therapy Service/Team:

OT/Physio/SaLT

0300 300 2019

### Transition (Adult Team):

0300 555 1386

### Immunisations Team:

Southern Health 0300 003 0323

**PLEASE SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK ABOUT OUR SERVICE USING THE QR CODE BELOW:**



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## HELLO & WELCOME:

We are the Solent NHS Trust Special School Nursing (SSN) Team who work alongside your child's school to help to promote their health and wellbeing in school and beyond. We wanted to write to you to let you know what we do and can help you with and provide any relevant health updates from the service.



## YOUR SCHOOL NURSING TEAM:



Rachel Jones  
Senior SSN



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## FOCUS: Transition

Transition is a term used in Special School Nursing and Health to refer to children moving in and out of our services whether this be through transition from a Nursery/Early Years setting into the school, moving up schools at the end of year 6 into a secondary school provision, or leaving school at post-16.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's transition in relation to their health, please contact your school nurse.

## Feedback: How Are We Doing?

We now have a QR code that will be found on all future letters and compliment slips, as well as this newsletter. Please scan the QR code and give us some quick feedback. The Special School Nursing Team would love to hear about your experience working with us.

Zoe Moore is the Paediatric Learning Disability & Autism Nurse Practitioner who works at Southampton Hospital. She can provide advice and support to any child with a learning disability / autism who is attending Southampton as an inpatient or outpatient. If you would like to contact Zoe for support, you can contact her either by calling: 023 81205 367 or via email: [LDA@uhs.nhs.uk](mailto:LDA@uhs.nhs.uk).



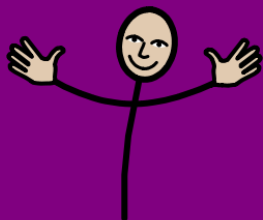
## Important Dates:

### School Immunisation Team Flu Vaccinations

*This was completed on  
1st Oct 2021*

### Consent & Health review forms deadline

*Thursday 21st Oct 2021*



## Useful Resources & Events:

**Kidz to Adulz Exhibitions -  
South. Find out more:**

[https://  
www.kidzexhibitions.co.uk/](https://www.kidzexhibitions.co.uk/)

**National Autistic Society**

<https://www.autism.org.uk/>

**Mind Charity**

[https://www.mind.org.uk/  
information-support/guides-to-  
support-and-services/](https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/guides-to-support-and-services/)

**Swan UK**

[https://  
www.undiagnosed.org.uk/](https://www.undiagnosed.org.uk/)

## HEALTH PROMOTION—Immunisations

The Immunisation Team will be visiting schools over the coming months to offer a number of children and young people their immunisations. The team will liaise with schools to coordinate visits and all the necessary information will be sent home to parents prior to these visits. Parental consent needs to be obtained before immunisations can be given.

- All children and young people in special schools will be offered Intranasal Flu
- 12-15 year olds - COVID Vaccine
- All Year 8's - HPV
- All year 9's - 3 in 1 Teenage Booster (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio) & MenACWY

For further immunisation information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/>

SHFT Immunisations team website - you will find links to the online consent forms required:

<https://www.southernhealthimmunisations.co.uk/>



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

We get asked lots of questions in school by staff and families and wanted to give you some of this information is easily shared on this newsletter which we will put out several times a year.

### **Q: What is the role of the SSN in school?**

**A: We have a complex and varied job role. Main aims:**

- To provide teaching and training to school staff
- Liaise with multiple professionals for care planning
- To create bespoke care plans for your child's needs
- Provide public health and health promotion information e.g. Immunisations, continence support or Specialist Dental Teams.
- Support Paediatrician, Dental, Immunisation and other clinics in school

### **Message for all new starters**

We have sent home a new starter form and consent form for you to complete for our service alongside a leaflet with information regarding our service.

If your child has health needs such as epilepsy, asthma or enteral feeding we will work with you to compile a care plan for your child for school. We can also support with referrals to continence pad service or special care dental service if your child is eligible.

We work closely in conjunction with the Community Paediatricians, therapy, Community children's nursing teams and school in order to meet your child's needs.

Please contact us if you have any concerns or would like support (Details on front page). We look forward to working with you