

Special Education Needs & Disability



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Summer 2021 – Transition NEWSLETTER

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Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to all our new families, to our Maricourt SEND community. I just want to take this opportunity to introduce myself. For those of you who I have not met, or spoken to, I am Jo Cowans - SENDCo here at Maricourt. My team and I coordinate all the additional support that some of your children may need when they join us in September. I work very closely with the Pastoral teams and together we will ensure as smooth a transition as we can for your children. We have had a very turbulent year again and I know uncertainty lays ahead. We have all struggled but I know students with SEND and their families have been disproportionately affected by Covid. Starting a new school will add to the stress, it is going to be hard. But I promise you, that we are ready for the challenges that lay ahead. We will ensure that the wellbeing of your children will be paramount in all of our planning for September. We ask from our young people courage and a resilience which will be the key aspects that will ensure their successful transition.

Finally, I'd like to add that both myself cowansj@maricourt.net and my admin assistant Mrs Byrne byr nec@maricourt.net are available for any concerns/worries you or your child has.

I will see you all face to face, hopefully, in September and look forward to getting to know you at one of our upcoming parent coffee mornings/parents' workshops in the year ahead.

Many Thanks, Jo Cowans (SENDCo)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Monday 5th July–**
SEND parent /carer forum (email byr nec@maricourt.net if you want an invite)
- **Monday 5th July -**
Year 6 transition Parent coffee morning (email byr nec@maricourt.net if you want an invite)
- **Monday 26th July -**
Year 6/7 summer school (email byr nec@maricourt.net if you want your child to attend)

Advancedsolutions.co.uk

parent workshops

- **Thursday 1st July: 10.00am-12.00noon:**
Transition: Preparing for the New Term
- **Thursday 8th July: 9:30am-12:30pm:**
Supporting Sleep Difficulties

Support for parents of children with SEND

Autism & Social communication difficulties

The National Autistic Society are a great resource to use and they have put together a forum page. On the forum, people can raise questions or concerns and get help and support from other families and professionals. You can even offer support on other people's threads. Sometimes it is good to talk and with a forum you do not have to worry about face to face interaction or even revealing your name. You can access the forum visiting this link [Forums - Home - National Autistic Society - our Community \(autism.org.uk\)](https://www.autism.org.uk/forums)

Advanced Solutions offer parents support through focused workshops, delivered as webinars, which have been designed for families, to better recognise, understand and support their own needs and those of their children and young people living with neurodevelopmental conditions. Online Learning Workshops for Families.

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

Dyslexia



[Dyslexia Training, in partnership with Made by Dyslexia - Microsoft Educator Center](#)

- Our Level 1 training: Dyslexia Awareness - will equip ALL teachers and parents with the essentials to spot, support & empower every dyslexic learner.

- Our Level 2 course: Dyslexia Teaching - will deepen your understanding of dyslexia. The videos are full of specialist strategies and solutions, showing you WHAT to teach, WHY it helps and HOW to do it.

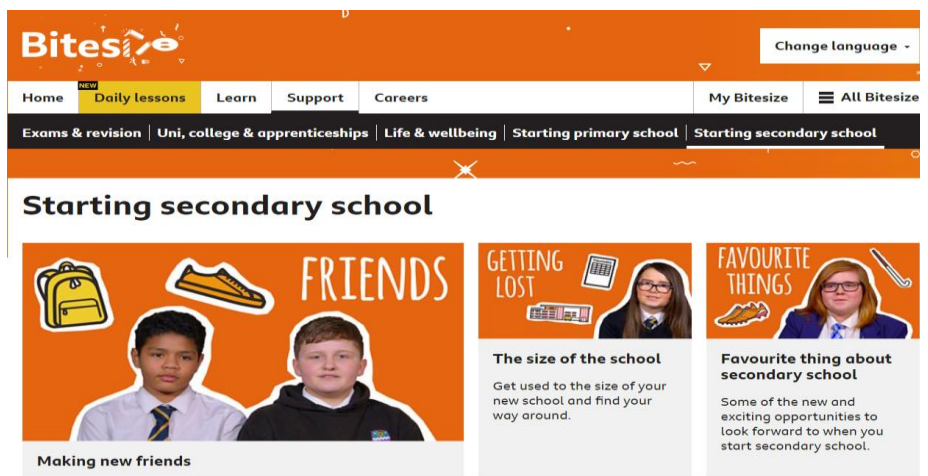
The training has been developed with the world's leading dyslexic specialist schools and is essential to help ALL children to catch up and keep up post-pandemic. Take this training and transform your teaching. Or learn new ways to support your child at home

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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zh4wy9g/starting-secondary-school/1>



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