

Spring SEND Newsletter

Your termly newsletter about SEND in our school!

2nd April 2025

HAPPY
EASTER



What a term!

We have had another busy term at Ormsgill! The children have been working hard in their Life Skills sessions making and tasting snacks, Lego Club have been designing their own Lego creations and writing instructions for these, and children have been exploring lots of wonderful sensory activities in The Hive.

We can't wait to see what the next term brings for us all! We hope you all have a lovely Easter!



Fundraising with FOOS

FOOS (Friends of Ormsgill School) have decided that their next big target will be refurbishing our much loved (and used) sensory room! This room is used by so many of our children and needs a refresh to ensure it is still an amazing resource for our pupils. Keep your eyes peeled for any FOOS events, in which money raised will go towards this important cause!

As Ormsgill's Child and Family Support Worker, I am here to offer support and advice regarding your child or family. I can also support with my knowledge of outside agencies and what they can offer. Contact me (Mrs Mayvers) via class dojo or our SEND office number: 07351315668



Our SEND Team



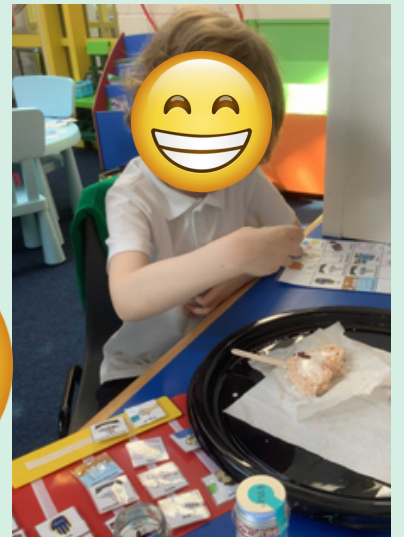
As Ormsgill's Special Educational Needs and Disability Coordinator (SENCO), I am here to offer support and advice regarding additional needs or SEND support for your child. Contact me (Mrs Crook) via class dojo or our SEND office number: 07351315668

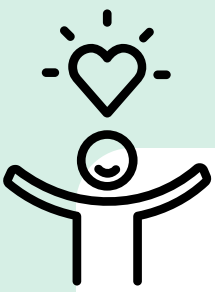




The Hive

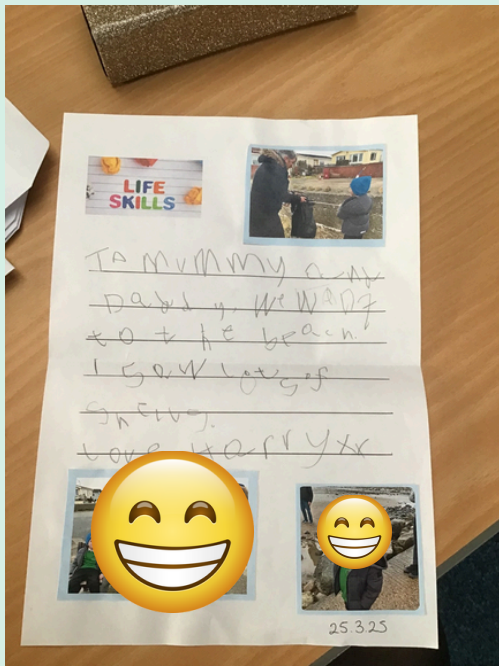
We have had lots of very exciting activities and themed weeks in The Hive this term! We have celebrated Chinese New Year, National Chocolate Day, Science Week, Frog Day and Easter! We have lots more exciting activities planned for the next term!

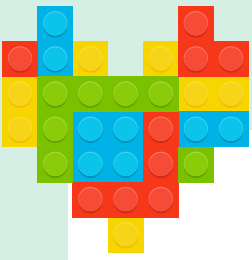




Life Skills

This term, Miss Hunter planned some activities for our wonderful children to develop their life skills. This term, we went to the beach to do a litter pick, we wrote letters home and we were working on the theme "eat what we make" which has been lots of fun!





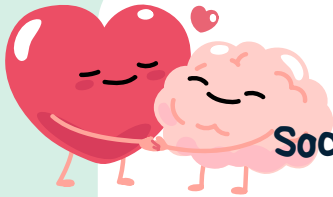
Lego Club

This term, Miss Bunting has been leading our 'Lego Club'. In Lego Club, children learn how to communicate effectively (listening, turn taking, following instructions) to each other by taking on different roles and building lots of Lego figures together. The children have loved every session and are always very proud of what they have made as a team!



SEND Spotlight

When parents hear the terms 'Special Educational Needs' or 'Learning difficulty', it can cause anxiety, particularly if they are bombarded with various terminology, phrases, conditions, and diagnoses commonly discussed by professionals. At Ormsgill, our aim is to assist parents in understanding the 'jargon' and provide guidance, advice, and strategies to support their child at home.



SEMH Social, Emotional & Mental Health

Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs are a blanket term which can cover a range of Special Educational Needs. This can range from anxiety, behavioural needs, ADHD, attachment disorders and many more conditions.

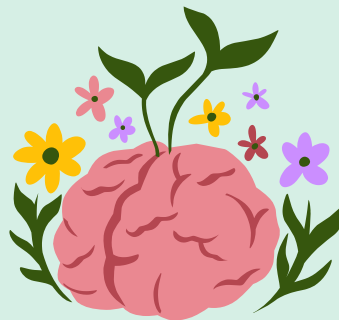
To find out more, visit the website:

www.semh.co.uk

How do you feel?
Circle how you feel.

Angry Happy Excited Loving
Sad Confused Scared

Talk to an adult or a friend, or write below. Can you explain why you feel this way?



What can SEMH difficulties look like?

- Social difficulties (difficulties with their peers)
- Difficulties forming and maintaining friendships/relationships
- Lack of resilience
- Irrational fears
- Challenging behaviours
- Non-compliance (not doing as they are told)
- Mood swings
- Increased sensitivity
- Impulsivity
- Physical or verbal aggression
- Low mood
- Not engaging at school

How many positives can you think of?

Fill in the shapes with as many positives you can think of.
E.g. "I am brave, kind, caring..."

I AM

I HAVE

I CAN



Easter Activities

Advantage! Barrow Raiders Community Foundation: Northern Competitions Stadium, Craven Park, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: Multi-Sports, fun activities, and well-being camp. Come and make new friends and memories. Meals included. For remote delivery, we will set physical challenges for the children alongside providing fun educational activities. We will have several challenges posted on our dedicated Raider Camp Facebook page.

Age range: 5 - 16

Dates & Times: 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 15th, 16th, 17th April @ 9am - 2:30pm

Booking information: Visit <https://www.facebook.com/AdvantageBarrow> or <https://www.facebook.com/BarrowRaiders>

Bram Longstaffe Nursery & Community Hub: Farm Street, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: Our programme will provide a range of Easter themes both inside and external areas delivered by excellent, qualified staff with a specific focus on having fun. Easter activities throughout the full day, including Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Egg Role, Easter Bonnet making, baking, arts and crafts, sports activities, includes a hot meal.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 4 – 11 years

Dates & Times: 8th & 9th April @ 8:30am to 4:30pm

Booking information: Email Davemorrison1966@hotmail.com call 01229 814900 or 07949 434076, or visit our Facebook page www.friendsofbram.org

CANDOFM Community Radio: 15 - 17 The Mall, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: An interactive media workshop at a real studio. Easter-Themed Games and Crafts, DJing taster sessions, nature & conservation workshops (Walney Island), Short Film Making, Interviewing Techniques, Audio & Visual editing, and producing & presenting a radio show. Meals included.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 8 – 16 years

Dates & times: 7th April: 8:30am-12:30pm, 7th April: 12:30pm - 4:30pm, 8th April: 8:30am-12:30pm, 8th April: 12:30pm - 4:30pm

Booking information: Call 07915 388309, email contact@candofm.co.uk or visit www.candofm.co.uk



Horizon Studios: Piel View House, Abbey Road, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: Connecting with the outdoors in an inspiring environment. Deep dive into fundamentals of music production, from crafting beats to making music tracks. Studio Recording & Engineering – hands-on experience with professional studio equipment, learning the art of sound design, recording and editing. DJing & live performance.

SEND Available: Yes, but not specialist SEND trained. Please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 7 – 18 years

Dates & times: 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th April @ 10am-2pm

Booking information: Email HorizonStudiosNW@gmail.com to request a booking link.

Love Barrow Families: Variety of venues across the local Community

Description: Dates may change due to weather. Coach hire & venues to be confirmed by supplier. Children to be accompanied by an adult. Minibus picks up available from identified pick-up points (please contact provider for more information).

Monday 7th April - Big Family Fish and BBQ at Buccleuch Dock, Barrow

Wednesday 9th - Let's Get Arty – Easter Arts, Crafts and baking Easter treats

Friday 11th April - Go Bounce - trip to jump Rush Morecambe

Tuesday 15th April - Easter Fun - Exploring outdoors, treasure hunt, decorating and egg rolling, Easter hat fun, team games football, rounders and outdoor movie in the gazebo.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 4 – 16 years

Dates & Times: 7th, 9th, 11th & 15th April @ 11am-3pm (dates & times subject to change depending on weather)

Booking information: Call 01229 823020 or email info@lovebarrowfamilies.co.uk



M&T Adventures: Little Urswick, Ulverston

Description: We are offering a variety of 3-day, 2 day and single day events over the Easter holidays. Activities include canoeing, climbing, abseiling, map skills, campfire cooking.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 5 – 16 years

Dates & times: 3-day events - 7th to 9th April, 2-day events - 14th to 15th April, 1 day events – 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th April @ 9:30am - 4pm

Pick up & drop off times: Barrow, Shell Garage, Abbey Road 8.30am / 4.40pm
Activities start 9.30am - 4pm

Booking information: Call 07973 437521 or email info@mandtadventures.co.uk

Parkside Academy & Lakes Sports Development: 46 Redshaw Avenue, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: Our aim is to provide children with a place that they can claim as their own when it comes to football. A place where they can enjoy, progress and play whilst developing into great people. We want this to be the place that children turn to in South Cumbria to develop to their full potential.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 5-11 years

Dates & times: 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th April @ 9am - 3pm

Booking Information: Contact the school office who will book the place on the company booking system, 01229 828348 / 07822011683
lakessoccerclub@outlook.com

Smart Body Sports: Dalton ARLFC, Crooklands Brow, Dalton-In-Furness

Description: Relationship building, motor skill development through sports such as football, rugby, dodgeball, cricket and rounders. Arts & crafts such as kite building, sand art, cake decorating, book club, Lego, nerf wars and more. Meal included.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 4 – 12 years

Dates & times: 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th April @ 10am-2pm

Booking Information: Please visit booking section of website - <https://www.smartbodysports.com/book-online>

Spring Mount Church: Salthouse Pavilion, Roose Road, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: Fun for all the family, activities, circus skills, crafts and inflatables, with hot healthy meal. Activities include Inflatable assault course and mini bouncy castle. Team games, indoor and outdoor activities, such as a football cage, racket sports nets and basketball hoops. We have Matrix Circus teaching some circus skills. Easter crafts and baking indoor board games. Every child has a healthy hot meal and fruit and drinks available throughout the sessions. Hot drinks for adults.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 4 – 18 years

Dates & times: 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th April 2025 @ 11:30am – 3:30pm

Booking information: Registration on the day, no need to pre book. If you prefer to fill form in and bring it along, we can email it out to you.

For help with transport, please contact Spring Mount - www.springmount.church Call 07989 581924 or email help@springmount.church

Wellness at Greenacres: Park Road/ Millwood Lane, Barrow-in-Furness

Description: Lots of outdoor/nature activities. Enjoy time petting and caring for the animals, having fun on the jungle bus, grooming the ponies & meeting new friends all with Easter themed activities.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 4 - 11 years

Dates & times: 8th, 9th April @ 9:30am – 3pm

Booking Information: Email: info@wellnessatgreenacres.co.uk, 07500 586097

Wellness at Greenacres: 38 Chapel Street, Dalton in Furness

Description: Easter themed Sensory activities at our sensory snug. Sensory activities that improve focus, promote confidence and enhance learning outcomes, promoting visual, auditory and tactile processing.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 4 - 6 years

Dates & times: 7th, 8th April @ 9:30am – 3pm

Booking Information: Email: info@wellnessatgreenacres.co.uk, 07500 586097

YMCA: YMCA Lakeside, Newby Bridge, Ulverston

Description: Day camps for children aged 7 to 15 years, in three age groups, consisting of a four-day week. The focus will be on outdoor activities to keep your child challenged and entertained. From kayaking and sailing to fell walking and abseiling, there's something for everyone. More information can be found on our website <https://lakesideymca.co.uk/day-camps/>

Transport for HAF bookings is included on the available route: Barrow > Dalton > Ulverston > Greenodd > Lakeside – please discuss with provider

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 7 - 15 years

Dates & times: 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th April @ 7:45am - 5:30pm

Booking Information: <https://lakesideymca.cinolla.com/lakeside/> or 015394 390000 (option 1)

