

SEND NEWS SPLASH

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MONDAY 17TH JUNE 2024

**BRANCHES
SUPPORT GROUP
EVERYONE WELCOME**



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BRANCHES is a support group open to all parents and carers of children and young people with any Special Educational Need or Disability, aged 0-25 years

When?
Tuesday 18th June

Where?
Shaw Ridge Primary School -
Community Room, Ridge
Green, Swindon,
SN5 5PU

Time?
10AM-11.30AM

Guest Speaker:
Penny - Speech and Language
Claire Brewster - Advisory teacher for
pupils with physical and/or medical
needs

Working Together
Strengthening Support
Reaching Out

Swindon SEND
Families Voice

BRANCHES is a free support group, however voluntary donations for refreshments are welcomed



Call the SEND Service on 01793 464641.
Lines are open Monday to Thursday 8am-5pm and 8am-4:30pm on Friday.



Alternatively, you can email
SENDSERVICE@swindon.gov.uk.



For more information, please [visit the Meet the SEND Service page](#) on the Local Offer.

Learning Disability Week 2024



In 2024, Learning Disability Week will take place from the 17th-23rd June. The event is organised every year by the learning disability charity, [Mencap](#).

The week aims to improve the quality of life for individuals with learning disabilities by raising awareness about important issues, fighting stigma and discrimination, and raising funds for outreach and support programs. As such, Learning Disability Week will be close to the hearts of many teachers, parents, and other educators.

The theme of this year's event is 'do you see me?' This theme is about being seen, being heard, being understood and being included. Please view the following video produced by Mencap that explores this theme a little further:

<https://youtu.be/0JMKvfrL5vs?si=MWeQTuPHBVD2wQZm>

As usual, there are lots of resources that you can access on the Local Offer:

- National advice resources - That provide support, advice and guidance for people with learning disabilities from national services:
https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20227/learning_disabilities/1521/getting_help_with_learning_disabilities
- Annual Health Check - People with a Learning Disability aged 14 and over can have a free Annual Health Check, please contact your GP Surgery to arrange an appointment. For more information view this page:
https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20227/learning_disabilities/1521/getting_help_with_learning_disabilities/2

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