

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope you are well and safe during these unprecedented times.

As the Therapy and Family Support Team, we hope to be able to continue to offer you support and advice during this time. However, due to staffing, time and safety limitations, we are offering an altered service.

The Speech and Language Therapy and the Occupational Therapy Service will be available to answer any questions or concerns you may have each day, Monday to Thursday. However, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, Public Health England has made the decision to stop routine and non-urgent appointments. As a result, all CLCH speech and language therapists have been redirected to support patients with high risk conditions and urgent care needs. Therefore, your child's previous allocated speech and language/occupational therapist may not be available over this period. All advice given will be universal and to the best of our ability, but as we may not know your child, we will not be able to target their specific needs. All advice provided will be documented and handed over to your child's allocated therapist on their return for follow up. Where your child's therapist is available, your concerns or questions will be directed to them, although there may be a delay in their reply, so please be patient.

During this time, we are also posting therapy related information, demonstration videos and resources via an online learning platform, under 'home learning'. You will be updated as to how to access this platform when it becomes available.

We understand that you may be receiving regular telephone calls from the class teachers and school staff, so if you have raised any therapy related concerns with them, they will be happy to liaise with us for advice. Alternatively, you can contact the team directly through the school switch board (0208 740 8112) or via the emails below. As discussed, although each therapist has been originally allocated a specific caseload as shown below, they may have to prioritise other areas as and when needs arise.

Occupational Therapy:

Claire Brundle cbrundle2.205@lgflmail.org (Resource Bases)

Ellie Lawley elawley.205@lgflmail.org (Secondary and Post 19)

Anna Jay* arooohan1.205@lgflmail.org (*Returning from maternity on 19th May and covering Early Years)

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Speech and Language Therapy:

Amy-Rose McClean amcclean6.205@lgflmail.org (Early years and Post 19)

Family Support Team:

The family Support team is also available to talk through any worries you have regarding your child or your family. They can provide advice, guidance and practical solutions on coping with life when movement has been limited. They can offer a listening ear if you are concerned, worried or just need to talk. Additionally they can support you with accessing or being sign posted to other support services.

Please contact Charlotte Spencer - Family Support Practitioner on the number above or by email: cspencer16.205@lgflmail.org for any further assistance needed.

Many thanks for your patience and kind understanding.

Best wishes,

The Therapies and Family Support Team

