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Dear Parents/Carers,

Now that you and your children have had the chance to settle into a new school year, I wanted to reach out and let you know some more about the Inclusion Team here at Ormiston Meadows.

As SENDCO, I help look after all our pupils with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND) and support teachers to give them the help they need. I also work with specialists such as Speech and Language Therapists where this additional expertise is needed. Also in our Inclusion Team are Mrs French (Family Worker), Miss Ward (Senior Mental Health Lead) and Ms Tilah (Inclusion Mentor).

If you have concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing, please speak to their class teacher in the first instance and they will be able to pass these concerns on to the most relevant member of the Inclusion Team. You could speak to them in person or get in touch via the class email address. We also aim to be out on the playground before school and at pick-up time when possible, so please feel free to come and have a chat.

You can also contact me via email at elizabeth.oates@ormistonmeadows.co.uk. My working days are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and I will aim to respond to correspondence on my next working day. However, if you need to speak to someone urgently, please phone the school office and they will be able to put you through to the best person to help.

Every half term, we also host a SEN Café for parents and carers. This term it will be held on **Thursday 5th October at 2.15pm**. This is an opportunity for you to come together to share experiences, advice or just have a natter. We also usually have a short presentation either from myself or a guest speaker; previous topics include the Local Offer and Sensory Circuits.

To find out more about SEND at Ormiston Meadows, please visit the SEND section of our school website at <https://ormistonmeadows.co.uk/key-info/send>.

Best wishes,

Lizzie Oates

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