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# Specialist Early Years Centre - expression of interest

This is an expression of interest for the child named below to be considered to receive additional support within a specialist early years centre at:

Please express your preference(s) with a tick. You may select more than one option.

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| Butterfly at Norcot Nursery School  |  | Snowflakes at Newbridge Nursery School  |  |
| Orchard at Blagdon Nursery School  |  | Dingley’s Promise  |  |

**What are the early years specialist centres?**

In Snowflakes (Newbridge), Butterfly (Norcot) or Orchard (Blagdon) your child will have access to an environment which provides extra support for children with speech, language and communication delays; sensory needs and cognition and learning needs, focusing on speech and language activities, sensory massage techniques, sensory circuits, intensive interaction, Attention Autism and other additional interventions a child may require.

Dingley’s Promise is a specialist private, voluntary and independent early years setting that offers family support and sessions for up to 15 hours per week in a specialist preschool environment. They provide support for children with SEND who need help with their speech, language and communication, physical and sensory needs, social and emotional needs, medical support or cognition and learning needs.

Staff working in the centres receive training and support from early years SEND professionals so that they provide this additional support. The specialist centres aim to meet children’s needs where they require a high level of support.

**What will happen next?**

Your child will be invited to come and visit the centre that they would be attending and may also be invited to spend some time there to assess whether a place could be offered. A member of the panel and/or the inclusion lead from the selected nursery may also arrange to visit your child in their current setting and/or home. Information will then be shared and discussed at a multi-agency panel and a decision then made as to whether we can offer a placement within the setting.

**Please note to be considered for a space within the Early Years Specialist Centres children must live within the Reading Borough Council area.**

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| Child’s name | Child’s date of birth |
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| **Home address** | **Child’s current setting name** |
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| **Parent/carer names and contact details including e-mail** | **Setting phone number and email** |
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| I give permission for the early years inclusion specialist setting panel to contact my child’s current setting and any professionals supporting my child, to inform the EYI panel and consider a placement for my child. I also enclose **recent professional reports** about my child and/or copies of my child’s **SEN support plans** from their current early years setting. Parent/carer signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Please return this form & supporting evidence to the relevant specialist Early Years Centre:** **Butterfly Base at Norcot:** **ksykes@norcot.reading.sch.uk****Snowflakes at Newbridge:** **inclusionmanager@reysfederation.org** **&** **stacia@newbridgenursery.reading.sch.uk****Orchard at Blagdon:** **inclusionmanager@reysfederation.org** **&** **hos@blagdonnursery.reading.sch.uk****Dingley Promise:** **admin.reading@dingley.org**Please also enclose a copy of your application form to **early.years@brighterfutureforchildren.org** |
| **Supporting information**Please can you ask any professionals supporting your child to also provide viewpoint/reports about your child’s additional needs. |
| **Named professionals** who are supporting my child, and their contact details: **Please indicate any of the following:**  |  |
|  | Named Portage worker:  |  | Diagnosis of Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) |  |
|  | Speech and language assessment completed (yes/no):  |  | Being assessed by CAMHS |  |
|  | Waiting list for speech and language therapy  |  | Accepted onto CAMHS waiting list |  |
|  | CAMHS referral made |  | Berkshire Sensory Consortium  |  |
|  | Paediatrician assessment/Dingley assessment centre  |  | Social care involvement |  |
|  | Physiotherapy |  | Occupational therapy |  |
|  | Other:  |
|  | **Hours requested: (am/pm/30 hours)** Snowflakes max 15 hoursDingley Promise max 15 hoursNorcot/Blagdon up to 30 hours  |  |
| **Additional Information about your child** (Please provide any further information about your child’s needs and/or background information that may support the panel in making their decision about a placement.  |