

Welcome to the first edition of SENDIASS' Positive Post!

The aim of The Positive Post is to bring you the latest good news and feedback from happy families and professionals that we have supported recently.

Enjoy!



## Information Advice & Support Service (SENDIASS)

I am very grateful for the support that you have given me so far.

It has been extremely helpful in navigating through a difficult process, which I knew very little about. It has been very reassuring to be guided through each step, and to receive practical advice, and help preparing and gathering information for our case.

I have already recommended your service to another parent who is about to begin the same process.

- Parent

Just want to thank you for your help and support during the past months in relation to Mrs X and her family. It has been a very difficult and stressful time for her family and with the language barrier it makes things so much more difficult.

- Umbrella

The support I received from SENDIASS was invaluable and they helped me at a time that I needed help the most. I felt listened to and felt that they really understood the difficulties I was going through with my son's EHCP. Nothing was too much trouble and they kept me up to date with the process throughout. I am so grateful for everything SENDIASS has done for my son and I wouldn't hesitate to contact SENDIASS again if I needed further advice or support in the future.

- Parent



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We were delighted to be asked to have our logo on SEN United's new football kit! We spoke to David Correia Martins to ask why they chose to have our logo on their kit. Here's what he had to say...

"We at SEN UNITED were formed in 2015 with the sole purpose of raising money for SEND schools in the Derby area for equipment and other worthwhile projects. We are a community football team consisting of staff and parents from the schools as well as other groups we've made connections with. For example, Fatball, Derby County Community Trust and Rolls-Royce Leisure FC to name a few. After 6 years of fundraising, we decided to purchase a new kit which Fatball and Unite have sponsored. We then wanted to highlight a specialist SEND group and St Andrew's Academy's headteacher mentioned Derby SENDIASS and all the good work they do, so we decided to have SENDIASS's logo printed on the back of the new strip in the hopes parents of children with disabilities may see it and ask the question.

Laura Firth from MiniAperture Photography will be doing a photoshoot on the Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September for the launch of the kit and the first match will be on 24<sup>th</sup> September at 4pm... Watch this space!"

<https://senunitedfc.wixsite.com/website>



The Department for Education (DfE) is responsible for children's services and education, including early years, schools, higher and further education policy, apprenticeships and wider skills in England.

We recently received an email from the DfE about the success of our pre-mediation meetings:

I am writing to congratulate you for achieving a significant reduction in Tribunals. Your reduction of 1.9% (-43 cases) was the second-best improvement result in England and has been duly noted within the Department.

- Department for Education

Thank you so much for the help and support you provided for Mum and myself this morning. I know that Mum left here feeling a lot more confident that she had someone in her corner to help her through this difficult process.

- SENCO

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