

Unlocking Potential -Termly Update

Osmani Primary School | September 2018 - December 2018

Breakdown by numbers (All numbers as of 14.11.18 – therapy & OT sessions offered, parent meetings, volunteer hours, & children attended speak up will increase by the end of term)				
Children who have accessed 1:1 therapy	18	Volunteer hours	3	
Therapy sessions offered	121	Children attending lunchtime club	10	
Children seen for 6xTalkTime	5	Speak Up's	29	
Children seen for Occupational Therapy	14	Parent Meetings	21	
Occupational Therapy sessions offered: 1:1 Group	68 7	Children receiving weekly drop-in support (Behaviour / friendship building / well-being)	2	

The Team		
Lucy Freeman	SideBeSide Team Manager, Art Psychotherapist	
Tammy Zhelyazkova	Play therapist	
Kate Bowes	Art Psychotherapist	
Jess Hodnett	Trainee Occupational Therapist	
Claudine Freiden	Trainee Integrative Child Psychotherapist	
Olivia Felton	Trainee Integrative Child Counsellor	
Samantha Amissah	Trainee Integrative Child Counsellor	
Francesca Crocker	Trainee Integrative Child Psychotherapist	
Shaminder Gill	Volunteer – Chess clubs	

Our News

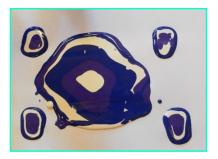
- This term 13 children have continued therapy from last year and 5 children have newly started. We have just a couple of spaces left until the therapy service will be at full capacity.
- Jess, our trainee occupational therapist started the first week of term and is with us until the end of November. Jess has been running 1:1 and group sessions with children to develop fine and gross motor skills. These pictures are of things children have created whilst practicing fine motor skills:







UP (SideBeSide) have been running a lunchtime club focused on providing inclusive activities to
enable socialising between a child with SEN needs and their peers. This has been really successful so
far with all the children are engaging positively; supporting each other and taking part in activities
they might previously have found challenging. Here's some of the expressive painting we did:







- We have welcomed Shaminder Gill to our team as a volunteer. Shaminder is a retired teacher who
 recognises the benefits of playing chess for children. Shaminder has been supporting Osmani's chess
 partners with their club and will soon also be running another chess lunchtime club with year 5's in
 order to allow more children at Osmani to benefit from playing this fascinating game!
- We have been running one group 6xTalkTime focused on developing confidence and social skills and another 1:1 6xTalkTime focused on building self-esteem. This intervention continues to allow UP to support children with a short term directive approach working towards teacher and child goals.
- A games lunchtime club has also started for year 4 children, some of whom have been finding it
 difficult to cope with unstructured play, with winning and losing in games and turn taking. This will
 support them to develop social skills and to manage the sometimes challenging feelings games can
 bring up.







These (above) are more of the activities Year 6 have been doing in lunchtime club; making salt dough, catapults and stationary pots.

"it's so much fun, I learn new things and I'm better at taking turns"

Year 4 child accessing games lunchtime club