



Autumn term 2025-
2026 parent newsletter
SEND Schools Nursing
Team ENHT



Welcome to the first SEND
Schools Nursing team parent
Newsletter





Welcome from the SEND schools nursing team at East and North Herts Teaching NHS Trust

This is our first edition of our parent newsletter, we are going to be releasing a newsletter every term to keep you informed and updated.

We need your voices, to help shape our projects to improve with a you said – we did approach.

As we approach the end of this term, on behalf of the entire SEND schools nursing team, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas. We hope that you all have a restful festive period and the children and young people have a wonderful time.

A look back on the first term of the 2025-2026 academic year –

We hope that the children and young people have settled into their new classes and routines this term.

We have loved seeing all our children and young people return to school in September and how much they have all grown. We are, as usual, working through their yearly height and weight checks (please let us know if you need one more urgently in January).

This September we welcomed around 40-50 new pupils to our SEND schools.

We look forward to welcoming a further 2-5 new pupils in January 2026.

Care plans will be a big part of our focus in the new year and enhancing a more individualised approach to these.



Updates and information

How can you help?

Let us know of any changes for your children and young people – any changes in medications, allergies, contact details or care plans.

Please can we request you send us the most recent clinical letters you have if you are seen by other medical teams elsewhere, we will be more than happy to photocopy this and return it to you, but it really helps us keep up to date records for your young people.

October 2025 saw an area SEND inspection across Hertfordshire in relation to SEND strategy, and focus on health and educational provision– result showing effective action is in progress in priority areas



Coming soon:

We would love to start offering the opportunities for parent forums in each of our four schools.

We work in partnership as health with you and education and welcome your views.

Please scan the QR code if you would be interested in this.

Parent forum interest



We want to hear from you

Feedback

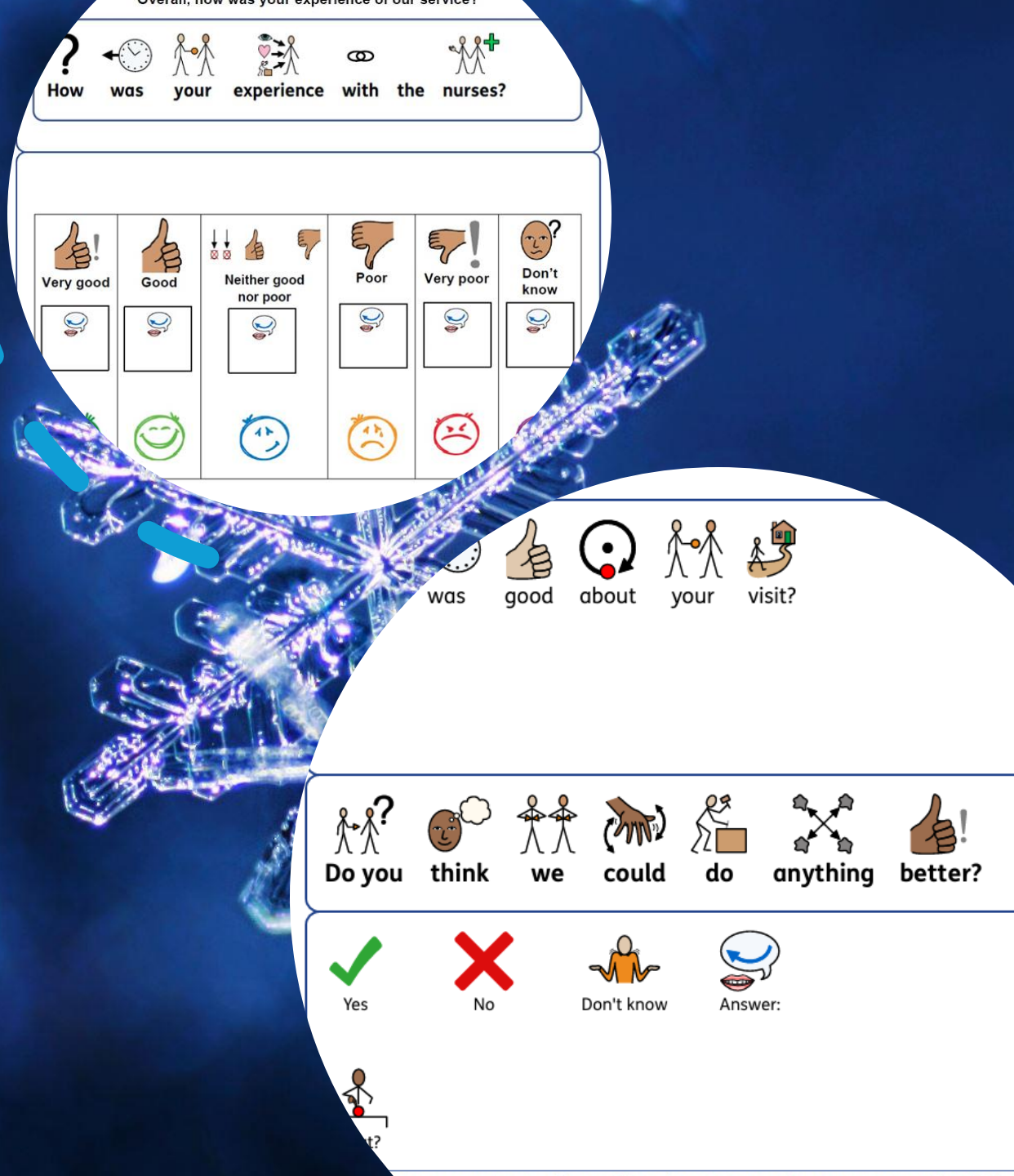
We have QR codes at the bottom of all our email signatures, if you have an interaction with the nursing team, please consider giving us some feedback via this QR code.

We have been asking our children and young people in school also to give feedback when they have seen the nursing team.

We may give you a call every now and again to see if you would like to give feedback.

Feedback is important for us to help us learn and improve.

This term we have also developed a new FFT form with ENHT using widgets for our children and young people. (Some snippets are on the right)



What are we focusing on right now for 2026?



Care plans -

We are working to overhaul our nursing careplan paperwork in order to make them updated, user friendly, appropriate and modernised as best possible. If you have any comments or suggestions for this please send them to your nursing teams via email.

You may be contacted in the new year to confirm your paperwork with us.

New individualised care plans in the future with a more collaborative approach to care

Training of new and refresher skills to enable children to access school safely

Capturing the voices of our children and young people often

Centralised universal working policies for sending children home from school across all four schools.


Collaborate with your EHCP reviews - we would like to move towards contributing more to the EHCP process in school.

Staffing updates:

We had a new nurse team leader in post Zoe to support governance and auditing originally from Lonsdale but covering all four schools.

We have also now successfully recruited the following additional staff who will all be in post in the new year:

- Additional Nurse team leader for Lonsdale - Mel
- New team nurse for Lonsdale – Amie
- Nurse team leader for Amwell View – Lisa
- Team nurse for Amwell View - Katie
- Team nurse across Greenside and Lakeside school – Stacey



Our vision for the future of the SEND schools nursing team at ENHT

Our essential aim is to ensure that we support your children's health and wellbeing needs to be able to access and enjoy school along with their peers.

We are in a very exciting time now, where we are pleased to announce we have had a recent uplift in our nursing workforce. What this means is we are going to be working on lots of projects and changes to better our service in partnership with yourselves and your children to deliver the care that you need in a school setting.

This is in conjunction with our community paediatricians, our nurses, our schools and with other health teams to better support you as families.

It is a really exciting opportunity for us to work in partnership with you to enhance your care plans, medication administration, appointments and access to different services (to name a few).

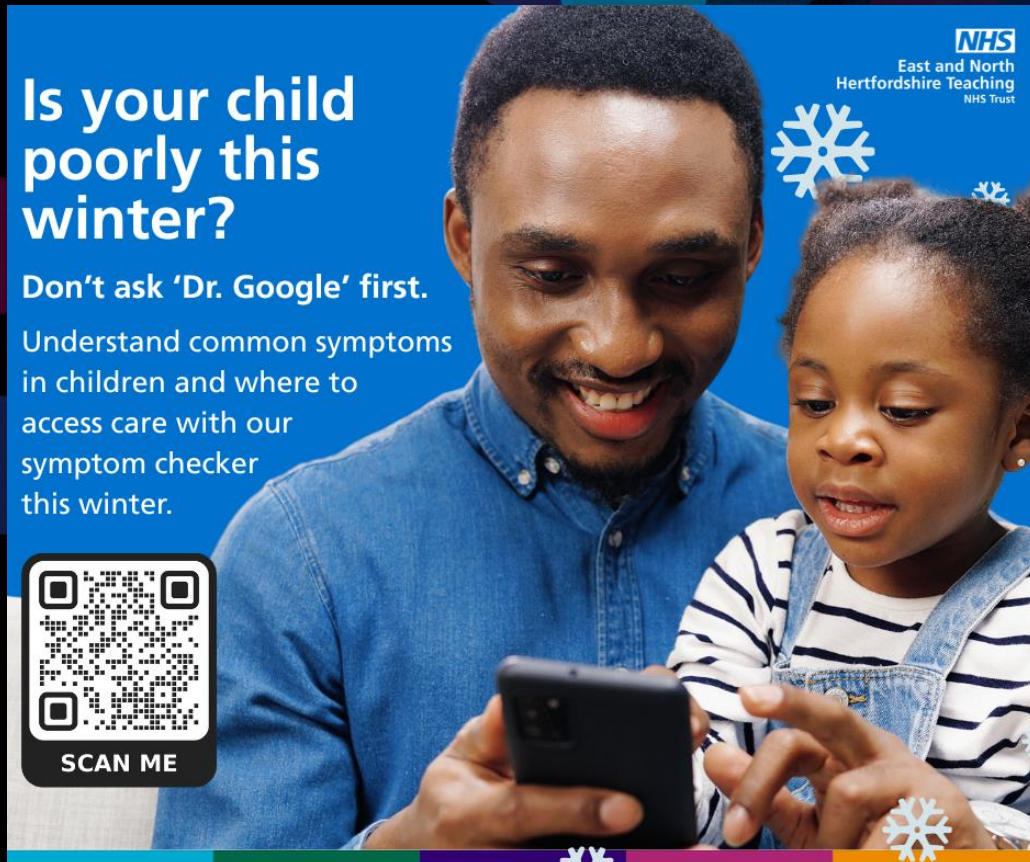
Ultimately with the goal of happy healthy, thriving pupils.

We are very proud to work in partnership with our schools to deliver health and education in parity.

We welcome your feedback and input for this and look forward to improving our service to reflect the changing needs of our caseload.

As always we strive to do this with safety at the forefront of our decision making and discussions and hope that you will join us in shaping our service to help our wonderful children and young people as best we can.


A great symptom checking tool from ENHT this winter -



Is your child poorly this winter?

Don't ask 'Dr. Google' first.

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www.enherts-tr.nhs.uk/symptom-checker

Dates for your diary in the new year

- 9th-15th February – Children's mental health week
- 28th February – Rare disease day
- 16th-22nd March - Neurodiversity celebration week



Thankyou for reading and have a great break

Here are our nursing team contact details should you require them -

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Amwell View
School Friends and
Family Survey

- <https://enherts.inphase.com/IncognitoAccess/Record/14904>



Greenside School
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Greenside School
Friends and Family
Survey

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01438 726999 ***please note the nurses direct number is not working due to a fault with the line so please call the school directly and opt for nurses.***

Lonsdale School Friends and Family Survey

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