



# SEND Newsletter

## Autumn 2 2025

Alongside being Head of School and Acorn Class teacher, I am SENCo (Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator) for Heptonstall Junior and Infant School.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's educational needs please speak to their class teacher in the first instance or make an appointment at the school office to speak with them and/or myself.

Miss Dodd



Dyslexia is a neurological difference and can have a significant impact during education, in the workplace and in everyday life. As each person is unique, so is everyone's experience of dyslexia. It can range from mild to severe, and it can co-occur with other specific learning difficulties. It usually runs in families and is a lifelong condition. It is important to remember that there are positives to thinking differently. Many dyslexic people show strengths in areas such as reasoning and in visual and creative fields. Ten percent of the population are believed to be dyslexic, but it is still often poorly understood. With the right support, the strengths and talents of dyslexic people can really shine.



<https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/news/all-we-want-for-christmas>

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Calderdale Council

## Play Development Service

We offer free, open access and inclusive play sessions. They are for children and young people aged 5 to 14 years in the communities where they live in Calderdale.

Children and young people with disabilities or special needs are very welcome. **Please note:** They will need to book so their specific needs can be met.

[For more info click here!](#)

Monday 22 December 2025, 12.30pm to 4.00pm  
@ Halifax Theatre

## Todmorden Family Hub



UPPER CALDER VALLEY FAMILY HUBS

### Todmorden Family Hub

The Hub is situated inside Todmorden Learning Centre (the old Community College)/Todmorden Health Centre in the heart of Todmorden.

This warm, welcoming and inclusive hub offers a wide range of **services including:**

- ◆ A Full Daycare Nursery (Follow on FB)
- ◆ 1 to 1 tailored support with families (with children aged 0-19 years)
- ◆ Baby massage
- ◆ Baby Clinic
- ◆ Baby Groups
- ◆ Stay and Play Sessions
- ◆ Family learning activities
- ◆ Holiday activities and events

Please click on the link below to find out more about the amount of support available to children, young people and their families with special educational needs and/or disabilities in Calderdale.

<https://calderdalelocaloffer.org.uk/>

