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Dear Parent/Carer,

As a school, we have recently been made aware of updates that the Local Authority is making for the provision of those with SEND. We thought it would be beneficial to share these updates with you as there are a number of exciting opportunities that may be of interest.

Firstly, Wirral Local Authority have launched a brand-new website, making it much easier to access the Local Offer for SEND Services to find the support you need. The website also includes information about events in the area which may be of interest.

The new web address is: https://www.sendlowirral.co.uk

As part of the updated provision, the Local Authority are also hosting a SENDLO Live event. The event promises a marketplace of SEND services within the area, live performances, and workshops as well as space for you to have your say about provision. This event is running on **Thursday 23rd November** from **1pm until 8pm** at the **Floral Pavilion in New Brighton.** The event doesn't need to be booked and you can visit at whatever time suits you. We will be taking a small group of students from 1pm - 2.30pm in order to gain insights and feed back what we see.

Finally, there are a couple of virtual training opportunities being offered for parents and carers to support young people with SEND. These include:

Wednesday 29th **November: 10am – 3pm:** The Witherslack group will be hosting a Virtual Conference: 'The Future of Our Children In A Changing World'. This November four experts in neurodiversity will share practical advice, effective strategies, and valuable support to help children thrive in an evolving-world. To book, visit: https://pages.witherslackgroup.co.uk/virtual-conf-nov23

Tuesday 12th December: 10am – 11am: Seasonal Support: Self-Regulation Strategies. Colin Foley, National Training Director from The ADHD Foundation Neurodiversity Charity, will present a free live webinar exploring practical ways to support your young person with self-regulation strategies this Christmas. To book, visit: https://pages.witherslackgroup.co.uk/strategies-to-support-self-regulation

We hope that these events will be useful to anyone who wishes to attend.

Kind regards,

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