



Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Fidgets in School

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. As the SENDCO at Glazebury CE Primary School, I wanted to take a moment to address an important matter regarding the use of fidgets within our school.

At Glazebury, we are committed to providing a safe and inclusive learning environment for all our children. We understand that some children benefit from the use of sensory aids, such as fidget devices, to help children concentrate and manage their needs effectively. Fidgets are designed to provide a safe and discreet outlet for sensory needs, particularly for those children who may find it challenging to sit still or focus for extended periods.

We firmly believe in supporting the individual needs of our children and promoting their overall well-being. However, it is crucial that the use of fidget devices in school is regulated appropriately to ensure a positive learning environment for all. Therefore, we kindly request your cooperation in adhering to the following guidelines:

- Provision:** All children that have the relevant diagnosis for a fidget will be provided by school, this is to ensure that they are in line with health and safety advise. We have a range of various devices in school that are all regulated and meet Health and safety standards.
- Permission:** If you feel your child requires the use of a fidget during school hours, **please inform us in writing** if not already part of their sensory plan. Use of fidgets are recorded in Individual Education plans, Pen Portraits or SENdCO records. This will ensure we maintain accurate records and that the necessary support is provided.
- Personal Responsibility:** We will support that these aids are not shared or borrowed between children as this can cause upset.
- Discretion:** While we encourage the use of fidgets as a supporting tool, we also understand the need for discretion. Children are encouraged to use these aids in a manner that is not disruptive to their own learning or that of their peers.
- Replacement:** Should a fidget become damaged or lost, school will replace the item however should this be because of lack of care we reserve the right to review this process.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in ensuring the smooth implementation of these guidelines. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to support you and your child in any way we can. Thank you for your ongoing partnership in your child's education.

Kind Regards

Miss Bimson
SENDCO