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"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10

Monday 2nd November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Ofsted and CQC Area SEND inspection: Share your experience

The local authority has asked me to share that Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) are carrying out an inspection of services and support for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) in Somerset.

As part of the inspection, inspectors want to hear directly from **children and young people with SEND, parents and carers, and practitioners**. They will use this feedback to help them understand people's experiences of SEND services and support across Somerset.

The relevant surveys can be found here:
Children and Young People Survey
Parent/Carer Survey
Parent/Carer Survey (Easy Read)
https://ofsted.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/AreaSEND-Practitioner/10445129

The surveys are voluntary and responses will be treated confidentially by the inspection team.

The surveys will remain open from 2nd November until 9am on Tuesday 10th November 2026.

More information

Ofsted and CQC have also published information explaining the Area SEND inspection and how children, young people, parents and carers can be involved. Information is available in a range of formats, including Easy Read and British Sign Language (BSL).
Area SEND inspections: information for families

The Area SEND inspection is your opportunity to share your experiences and views directly with inspectors. I am confident that this process will prove useful in validating the good practice that does take place in our area, as well as identifying any areas for development.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Burgas
Headteacher NPQEL