



Specialist SEND Service at Labyrinth House in Collaboration with Authenticity

What We Offer

Authenticity is working in collaboration with Labyrinth house to provide families of children aged 0 to 5 years with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) with specialist SEND support

We believe that early intervention is the essence of supporting children to thrive and meet their full potential. We also recognise that families of children with the most complex needs can struggle to access services and that one service alone may not have the hoped-for impact.

Through parent/carer consultation we aim to provide both a starting point and a bridge between services, developing highly individualised support plans and strategies to support parents and carers to help their children work through their greatest challenges and celebrate their greatest achievements.

We work in a holistic way, considering how multiple factors interplay within the dynamics of the development of your child, including communication, sensory needs, social emotional and mental health, cognition and learning, and physical difficulties. We can help develop first steps and give advice while you await further intervention.

As a service, we work with families to identify core needs and to put in place the appropriate training and resources so the children can continue to develop and grow. We are inclusive and able to attend family homes where desired/needed and are dedicated to using our creativity to individualise our provision. We are committed to ensuring the right help is at hand at the right time.

Who We Are

Kate Williams is a SEND specialist, with 15 years experience working in the education sector with children from the ages of 0 to 18 years. She has worked as a teacher and SENCo in special and mainstream schools and also understands first hand, as a mother of a child with Down Syndrome, the challenges around raising a child with SEND.

Kate has a wealth of experience in supporting children with autism having innovated and managed an autistic resource base, working with a range of individuals providing provisions such as attention autism, PECS and SPARK. She is skilled in using sensory profiles and understanding how to meet the primary needs of children to enable them to develop emotional regulation and tolerance.

Kate has a Level 3 diploma in working with children with a profile of pathological demand avoidance (PDA) and has experienced numerous successes in helping those who struggle with regulating anxiety. Kate is also a dialectical behavioural therapist and uses this skills-based therapy to support children to emotionally regulate and become self-aware. Kate's qualification as a neurolinguistic programming practitioner further informs her work with parents in helping them to develop beliefs and positive mindsets around overcoming obstacles and aiming high.

Kate is supervised in her work by Dr Nicole Schnackenberg, Educational Psychologist and Director of Labyrinth House.

How to Access Our Services

Our service can be accessed via referrals made either through parents or professionals working with a family. Please provide the name and age of the child, parental contact details and a brief description of the support that you feel could be gained from our service by emailing authenticity.747kw@gmail.com.

Where we are Based

Labyrinth House
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(Free car park to the back of the building, off Tintern Avenue)

