

Greetings from the new editor



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Hi,
I'd like to introduce myself as the new editor for SEN magazine. My background is in magazine journalism training, and I also have personal experience in special needs issues. Still, there's a lot to learn and a lot to implement: you'll start to notice a few changes within this edition, but there will be more to come. I'm looking forward to interviewing a range of people across a broad spectrum of the education sectors, and use their valuable expertise in the pages of SEN. There will be regular contributors, too – so you, the reader, will start to recognise our specialist panel in the coming months.

This issue features articles on the main areas and specialisms within the SEN sector: Autism Spectrum Disorder, Dyspraxia, Cerebral Palsy, for example. Be sure to read *Educationally Active* on pages **36, 37** and **38** from the Calvert Trust who demonstrate that school trips away can and should be accessible for every child, no matter what their requirements. And on pages **86** to **88** you can read about 19-year-old Josh who is taking part in Channel 4's Year Dot Project which follows the progress of fifteen young people as they embark on their life-changing year. On pages **108 – 109** you can read my interview with Jill Davies, from the Foundation of People with Learning Disabilities about a ground-breaking study. And don't forget to read the last in the series from the Bamboozle Theatre Company on pages **54-55**. For a preview of the Education Show, turn to pages **64-74**.

I hope you enjoy reading the issue as much as I have enjoyed creating it. If you have any questions or comments you would like to make, or would like your letter to be featured in our brand new letters page, please get in contact and drop me a line on annie@senmagazine.co.uk

Happy reading!

Annie

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