

E.L.S.A.

Springwood Primary School

What is it? E.L.S.A. is an Emotional Literacy Support Assistant.

Who are they?

Ours are Mrs Kelly Caffell and Mrs Busuttil.

They are our specialist teaching assistants who have been trained by Educational Psychologists to work with children who are showing some type of social or emotional difficulty.

What do they do?

Mrs Caffell and Mrs Busuttil will work very closely with Mrs Hancock and the class teacher to set clear targets for your child. Your child may work individually or in a small group. The activities will be fun and interactive which will both engage and motivate your child.

What do the children do? A wide range of activities will be used and they may include games, puppets, role play, making, creating, talking and listening.

They will:

- How will my child benefit?
- Develop coping strategies
- Interact more successfully with others
- Develop greater self-awareness
- Manage school better
- Feel better about themselves

What can you do?

- Find time to listen to your child
- Encourage your child to see the positives in every situation
- Help your child to see things from the view of other people
- Contact Mrs Hancock if you have any concerns you would like to discuss or if you require further information. Elizabeth.hancock@cardiff.gov.uk