

WISE Workshop

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Base: 24 Daish Way, Dodnor Industrial Estate, Newport PO30 5XB and Town Hall, Grafton Street, Sandown PO36 8JL.

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Opening Times: Sessions during school term time are from 9.00 am to 12.00 and from 1.00 pm until 3.00pm, Monday to Thursday, Friday, morning only.

Link to SEN Matrix: Pupils access WISE for support relating to difficulties accessing the curriculum, socially or academically.

Service aims:

- To assist pupils to achieve success, through supervised practical activities that have a tangible outcome that the child can own.
- To encourage better attendance at school by building on the pupil's self-esteem and integrating attendance.
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- To encourage appropriate behaviour through clear boundaries and expectations and appropriate role modelling from the instructors.
- To provide a supportive small group setting where students can explore practical tasks, and are given individual attention to achieve something they, their family, school and friends see as special.

To access the support: Application for WISE placement is made by the school – cost £12.50 per pupil per session

Method of support: W.I.S.E. offers pupils who have difficulties adjusting to the social or academic demands of mainstream education –

- training, and opportunities to fulfil their potential, in more practical disciplines
- the chance to work in a smaller, more structured environment.

The Newport workshop provides activities based on woodwork, basic mechanics, construction, art and craft and gardening. The Sandown workshop offers woodwork or painting and decorating.

Attendance at the Workshop is on a part-time basis and runs alongside attendance at mainstream school.