World Teachers' Day 5 October 2020

Middletown Centre for Autism will join in the celebration of World Teachers' Day on 5 October 2020. The focus of this day is to celebrate teachers with the theme "**Teachers:** Leading in crisis, reimagining the future".

During this worldwide day of celebration we are asked to give recognition to the teaching profession through acknowledging their achievements and listening to their voices as they continue to be at the forefront of working towards the global education target of leaving no one behind. The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly contributed to the growing challenges faced by the education sector throughout the world. It is therefore important that we work with teachers to protect the right to education for all, especially during these uncertain times.

The leadership and responses of teachers across the island of Ireland within the current pandemic is critical in terms of the contributions they have made to provide remote learning, supporting our most vulnerable children and young people, building students' resilience and by re-opening schools to ensure that learning gaps have been lessened. These contributions have no doubt shaped the future of education and the teaching profession.

Last year, the Centre hosted an International Autism Conference entitled 'Pathways to Resilience' and had the pleasure of interviewing conference speakers Dr. Brenda Smith Myles, Kari Dunn Buron and Dr Patricia Daly with the focus to provide practical strategies and supportive ideas to promote resilience in homes and schools.

To read the advice provided by these renowned Autism Professionals please click here (Bulletin 29 Pathways to Resilience)