



SEND Frequently Asked Questions

How does the school assess the progress of pupils and what would they do if my child was falling behind?

Pupil progress is regularly assessed by the teachers through observation, marking, pupil voice and assessments. Assessments by testing occur throughout the academic year. Parent Consultation meetings are held in October and February with the option of one in July after the publication of the school reports. Pupils who are identified as not making sufficient progress will have an intervention programme created; tailored to meet their specific needs.

How accessible is the school environment?

The school is easily accessible for children with a disability. Ramps have been installed at points across school to allow access to all parts of the building. Further information is provided in our schools accessibility report, which is on our website.

Who is the person responsible for children with SEN?

Every teacher has responsibility for children with SEND in their class. As the SEN Co-ordinator, I am the person responsible for ensuring this support meets the needs of the children and provides support and advice to teachers and parents where required. The SEND Governor (Mrs Fisher) liaises with me and monitors the work of the school regarding SEND provision and reports to the full governing body.

How do I contact the person responsible for SEN or arrange to meet them?

I can be contacted by telephone or by email. Alternatively, please visit the school and leave a message with Mrs Lovell or Mrs Davies and I will get back in touch as soon as I possibly can.

What training or specialist expertise does your staff have around SEN?

School staff have vast experience in and have been trained across the years to provide a variety of specialist support. Where a training need is identified and the expertise is not present, the school is committed to ensuring that training gap is addressed. I have also been awarded the National Award for Special Educational Needs Co-ordination Post Graduate Certificate from Bath University.

What support can the school provide for children with SEN?

The school will provide a variety of support for children with SEND. This may include 1 to 1 intervention and group work. The school will also access external agencies when appropriate to enhance provision.

What further external support can the school access and when would this happen?

The school has access to several external agencies that can provide additional support. Where a need has been identified by the parents and/or by the school, I will seek advice and support from the appropriate agency in order to meet the needs of the child.

Who can I contact to provide additional advice and support for my family?

Additional advice may be obtained from a variety of sources and there is link on the school website to the SEN Local Offer.

How are parents/carers and children with SEN supported to share their views and concerns and work alongside the school?

The school has a variety of ways to allow parents/carers to share their views and concerns. Teachers endeavor to be available at the end of the school day, if parents/carers wish to discuss their child. Alternately, a Home-School link book can be provided. All children on the SEND list have a Provision Map written which is updated three times per year (October, February and July). A copy of this is sent home and parents/carers are always welcome to make an appointment to discuss this further if more time is needed after the Parent Consultation meetings. Children with an EHCP have a more formal review on an annual basis, or when required.

If I am not happy with the provision at the school, how can I share my concerns or make a complaint?

If you are not happy with the SEND provision at the school, please contact the class teacher or myself to share your concerns. If you wish to make a complaint about the school, please direct your grievance to the school's chair of governors. Our complaints procedure is available on the school website.

Where can I find information about the Local Authority's Local Offer for children with SEN and their family?

Information about the Local Authority's Local Offer can be found on the school website.