

Westwood Park Community Primary School

SEND

We are proud to be an inclusive school at Westwood Park Primary School and through our dedicated approach to SEND, we strive to provide a happy environment in which all our pupils can experience success and enjoyment. We believe in equal opportunities for all, where everyone is treated with respect, dignity and is equally valued. We value and honour the views of our pupils and their families and provide opportunities for them to influence change and to be fully involved in the decision-making process.

More information about Special Educational Needs and links for further support is detailed below. Please take some time to read through this and if you have any further queries, please contact our SENDCo Mrs Bromby on 01617892958.

How common is a Special Educational Need?

Approximately one in five children will have special educational needs (SEND) at some time during their school career. Children with SEND have learning difficulties and/or physical disabilities (D) which make it harder for them to learn than most children of the same age. They will need extra support or different help e.g. modified tasks, extra time or breaks in formal assessments. Schools and other agencies can help most children overcome their difficulties quickly and easily. But a few children will need extra help for some or all of their time in school.

This means they may have difficulty with:

- some or all of the work in school
- reading, writing or mathematics
- understanding information
- expressing themselves
- understanding others
- organising themselves
- sensory perception or physical mobility
- managing their behaviour
- making friends or relating to adults

Who can help?

We have a highly experienced team of staff who may be involved in supporting your child at Westwood Park. These include your child's teacher, who will always make sure that tasks set are appropriate and accessible for your child. Other adults who may support your child are Teaching Assistants, who support groups and individual children with their learning as well as whole classes when necessary. The SENDCo (Mrs Bromby) leads and co-ordinates the provision of SEND in school and is the main point of contact for parents. Sometimes school may commission Specialist Support to work with identified children with a particular focus e.g. Speech and Language Therapists or Occupational Therapists. To ensure our staff have the skills and knowledge to support children with SEN—there is a programme of ongoing training both in school and elsewhere.

Consulting with outside parties.

As part of our support for all children in school we have regular opportunities to consult with support services and health agencies through a multi-agency approach which sometimes includes completing the Early Help Assessment (EHA) to support the family as well as the pupil. We will discuss the needs of the individual/family in school and plan together the best use of advice and support from other agencies. Professionals who might attend this meeting include the School Nurse who works closely with us and can advise and assess any medical needs. If a care plan is required this would be done in conjunction with the parent/nurse and reviewed annually as a minimum. Our Speech and Language therapist may give advice or complete an assessment for a few children. Our Educational Psychologist may give advice or complete an assessment for a few children. Behaviour Support Professionals are often commissioned to give advice if required and we work with outreach support teams from specialist schools.

If you would like further support outside of school, the following links may be of use to you.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities – A Guide for Parents and Carers

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-guide-for-parents-and-carers>

Parent groups and support groups

Salford Autism

support and social inclusion for everyone who lives or works in Salford and is, cares for or is affected by someone with an Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) (inc. Asperger Syndrome)

Tel: 0771 390 3224

Email:

www.salfordautism.org.uk

Salford Action for Autism (SAFA)

Contact: Kay

Tel: 07858 495266

www.salford-action-for-autism.com

Autism & Friends

Contact: Sandra Moore

Tel: 07544 649696

Sensory Stay & Play

Tel: 0161 778 0051

Email:

Parent Carer forums

Salford Family Forum

Tel: 0161 833 0217

MIND in Salford

The Angel
1 St Philips Place
Salford
M3 6FA

Tel: 0161 212 4880

Email: info@mindsalford.org.uk

www.mindsalford.org.uk

Parent Partnership (SIASS): 0161 778 0343/0349 or email siass@salford.gov.uk.

SEND families support group: 0161 603 4500

Salford Families Service Directory:

<https://www.salford.gov.uk/children-and-families/>