

Kingstone High School Local Offer

Kingstone High School, part of Kingstone Academy Trust, treats all pupils as individuals; we therefore refer to all pupils who may need (educational) provision which is additional to or alternative to their normal timetable, as being a pupil with Special Educational Needs (SEN).

The Trustees and staff of Kingstone Academy Trust realise the importance of identifying and supporting those pupils who have Additional Needs. We have an 'open door' policy for parents, for both behaviour and literacy support, where a team approach is necessary to help the pupil make progress. We acknowledge the unique strengths, knowledge and experience that parents are able to contribute to the shared view of their child's needs and the best way of supporting them.

The range of support deployed will be tailored to individual need following thorough assessment by internal or external agencies. It is designed to promote pupils working towards becoming independent and resilient learners.

Information and Guidance	
Who should I contact to discuss the concerns or needs of my child?	
<p>Subject teacher(s)</p> <p>Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENDCo)</p> <p>Mrs C Sankey</p> <p>Email: twatkins@kingstoneacademy.co.uk (SEND Admin Officer)</p> <p>Telephone: 01981 250224</p>	<p>Responsible for:</p> <p>Delivering quality first teaching. This includes adapting and refining the curriculum to respond to strengths and needs of all pupils. Monitoring the progress of your child and identifying, planning and delivery of any additional support.</p> <p>Responsible for:</p> <p>Applying the school's SEND policy.</p> <p>If you have concerns about your child you should speak to your child's Key Stage Pastoral Support Worker. You may then be directed to the SENDCo.</p> <p>SENDCo is responsible for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating provision for children with AEN (Additional Educational Need) and developing the school's SEN policy • Ensuring that parents are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Involved in supporting their child's learning and access - Kept informed about the range and level of support offered to their child - Included in reviewing how their child is doing - Consulted about planning successful movement (transition) to a further education setting

<p>Headteacher</p> <p>Mr Lee Butler</p> <p>CEO</p> <p>Mrs Elissa Vigus</p> <p>SEN Governor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Liaising with a range of agencies outside of school who can offer advice and support to help pupils overcome any difficulties - Providing specialist advice and facilitating training to ensure that all staff are skilled and confident about meeting a range of needs. <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The day to day management of all aspects of the school, including the provision made for pupils with SEN <p>Responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting the school to evaluate and develop quality and impact of provision for pupils with SEN across the school.
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Assessment, Planning and Review

How can I find out about how well my child is doing?

On-going monitoring takes place by pupils' teachers to identify pupils who are not making progress or who have behavioural needs which are affecting their ability to engage in learning.

After discussions with key staff and parents, additional support will be put into place to provide adapted resources and/or targeted small group and/or individual support to help overcome any difficulties.

This additional support is documented in a pupil passport, Individual Provision Map or Personal Support Plan (PSP). In consultation with the SENDCo, Heads of Faculty, subject teachers and parents, short term targets are agreed which prioritise key areas of learning or behaviour to address and by which progress can be measured. Where external agencies are involved, their advice and recommendations are included in these support programmes. Actions agreed take into account each pupil's strengths as well as their difficulties.

In some cases Teaching Assistant support may be allocated in class. This support is deployed to ensure your child can engage in class and wider school activities and to facilitate independent learning.

Review meetings are held as required. Parents, relevant external agencies and when appropriate, pupils are invited to this review and their contribution is valued. The impact of support offered is considered along with the progress towards the targets set. Support arrangements will be updated and revised accordingly. If not involved already, this might include referral to external agencies. The outcomes of these meetings will be formally recorded.

If your child is continuing to have significant difficulties, further external expertise may be requested. Additional funding is available for children who meet the criteria. This can be accessed using the Herefordshire's Local Authority process and the guidance in the Banded Funding Criteria. Further details about this process will be explained in the LA Local Offer. Please follow the link –

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/localoffer>

Curriculum and Teaching Methods (including groupings and interventions)

How will teaching be adapted to meet the needs of my child?

Teachers at Kingstone High School are skilled at adapting their teaching to meet the diverse range of needs in each class. Planning takes into account individual pupil's needs and requirements. Differentiation is approached in a range of ways to support access and ensure that all pupils can experience success and challenge in their learning.

Additional intervention is used flexibly to help groups and individual pupils with a long term goal of developing independent learning skills. Monitoring takes place to avoid pupils becoming over reliant and dependent on this support.

Intervention

Access to learning and the curriculum

Strategies/programmes to support speech and language

- Speech and Language Therapist provides programme to be followed by staff
- Specific differentiation or modification of resources e.g. use of symbols
- Speech Therapy group/1:1 work delivered by support staff following speech therapy advice

Strategies to support/develop literacy including reading

- Focused reading lessons, with group or paired reading
- Small group/1:1 intervention programmes
- Whole school daily phonics (Read Write Inc). Grouped by ability

Strategies to support/develop numeracy

- Small group core intervention
- In class differentiation

Provision to facilitate/support access to the curriculum

- Specific Learning Difficulties (dyslexia) resourced provision
- Some small group/individual withdrawals depending on need

Strategies/support to develop independent learning

- After school clubs e.g. homework and cross-curricular activities
- DIRT lessons

Pastoral Support

Strategies to support the development of pupils' social skills and enhance self-esteem

- Small group/ 1:1 programmes
- Mentoring
- Quiet room available lunch/break time
- Social Skills groups
- Anger Management interventions
- Nurturing interventions
- CLD councillor- two days/week

Strategies to reduce anxiety/promote emotional wellbeing (including communication with parents)

- Year 6 transition support
- Regular contact and liaison with parents as necessary
- Open door policy

Strategies to support/modify behaviour

- School sanctions and reward system as set out in School Behaviour Policy
- Pastoral Support Plan (PSP)
- Behaviour Support Services
- Mentoring

Planning, assessment, evaluation and next steps

- Bench mark literacy testing annually
- Pupil passports (Essential information shared with class teachers and support staff)
- Care plans for pupils with medical needs
- Medical register held centrally and relevant information shared sensitively with staff

Increasing accessibility - getting about

Access to strategies/programmes to support occupational /physiotherapy needs

- Advice of professionals disseminated and followed by support/all staff
- Use of any recommended equipment
- Disabled toilet and outdoor and indoor lift

Access to modified equipment and ICT

- Specialist equipment as required on an individual basis to access the curriculum

Partnerships with External Agencies

What outside support does the school use to support my child?

The school works with a number of external agencies to seek advice and support to ensure that the needs of all children are fully understood and met. These include:

Access to Medical Interventions

- Use of individualised Care Plans
- Referral to paediatrician
- Referral to CAMHS (Child, Adolescent Mental Health Services)
- Access to whole staff training if required via SLT

Liaison/Communication with Professionals/Parents, attendance at meetings and preparation of reports

- Regular meetings as required
- Referrals to outside agencies as required
- Sensory Support, Educational Psychologist, School Nurse, Social Communication Difficulties
- Needs of pupils on SEN register reviewed termly

Transition

How will the school help my child move to a new year group or to Further Education or training?

Children and young people with SEN can become particularly anxious about “moving on” so we seek to support successful transition by:

When moving to a FE college: We will share information about special arrangements and support that has been made to help your child achieve their learning goals. In some cases additional multi-agency meetings may be arranged to create a more detailed “transition” plan.

When moving schools (In Year Transfer): Information is gained from the previous school when a child is transferring to Kingstone High School. If a child is leaving our school information will be passed on.