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SEN INFORMATION REPORT 2023 - 2024

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Introduction

Welcome to our SEN information report which is part of the All Saints' local offer for students with special education needs.

At All Saints' we are committed to working together with all the members of our school and wider community. We welcome feedback and future involvement in the review of our offer. You can do this through our SENDCo, Mrs. K. Haworth, k.haworth@allsaintshigh.lancs.sch.uk.

Mission Statement

All Saints' is a school where the Catholic faith is taught, lived and celebrated. We will educate the whole person spiritually, morally and intellectually. We embrace Catholic values in all we do and in all our relationships. We will identify and cater for the individual student's needs and prepare them for responsible participation in society. Our aim is to follow Christ's teaching, as found in the Gospels, in everything we do.

Our school motto summarises our Mission Statement. It is known, lived and witnessed throughout the school and has a significant impact on learning and the life of the school.

Luceat Lux Vestra: Let Your Light Shine

Our Approach to Teaching Learners with SEN

At All Saints' we believe in creating an inclusive culture in our school and wider community. We aim to be responsive to the diverse needs of our students' backgrounds, interests, experience, knowledge and skills. All Saints' ethos is to let every child's individual light shine brightly. All Saints' offers a caring and nurturing environment. We attempt to remove any barriers which reduce the chances of our students developing educationally, socially and personally. This is achieved through a broad and balanced curriculum with systems in place for early identification of barriers to learning.





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Section 1

What kinds of Special Education Needs does All Saints' make provision for in school?

At All Saints' we have a diverse student cohort that includes students with: autism; ADHD; dyslexia; speech, language and communication difficulties; moderate learning difficulties; specific learning difficulties; Irlen syndrome; dyscalculia; dyspraxia; physical disabilities; mental health needs and sensory impairments.

Section 2

How would All Saints' identify and assess my child's Special Educational Needs?

During their school career a student may have or develop a special educational need. The SEND Code of Practice (2015) defines SEN as:-

"A child or young person has SEN if they have a learning difficulty or disability which calls for special educational provision to be made for him or her. A child of compulsory school age or a young person has a learning difficulty or disability if he or she:

- · has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age, or
- has a disability which prevents or hinders him or her from making use of facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age in mainstream schools or mainstream post-16 institutions".

The number of students with additional needs changes regularly throughout the school year due to academic monitoring, liaison with medical professionals and official diagnosis and also through referral to the SEN department.

Students are identified as having an additional need either through an SEN referral, transition information, academic monitoring outside agency or Any information/diagnosis. provision that 'additional to or different from' the normal differentiated curriculum will be dependent on the students identified additional need.

Teachers, support staff, parents/carers and students themselves may well be the first to notice a difficulty with learning. The SENDCo will also support with the identification of barriers to learning. All Saints' have a range of assessment tools available in school and outside will work partnership with agencies/specialists for advice and recommendations.





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Section 3

- (a) How does the school evaluate the effectiveness of provision for students with Special Educational Needs?
- (a) Progress is monitored as an integral part of teaching and leadership within All Saints'. Any student with identified additional needs who receives intervention within school is assessed regularly.

Parents of students who hold an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) are invited to discuss intervention, progress and the targets regarding their child's learning at their annual review, parents' evenings and throughout the year if they request a 1:1 with the SENDCo.

Progress data for all students is collated by the whole school and termly progress reports are sent to parents for their child.

The SEN department tracks the progress of all students on the SEN register and liaises with departments when issues are highlighted.

We follow the 'Assess, Plan, Do, Review' cycle as outlined in the SEND Code of Practice (2015).

There is a school Governor with responsibility for SEN, reports are submitted to the School Governing Body for monitoring and evaluation purposes.

- (b) How will I know how well my child is doing at school?
- (b) Parents are encouraged to take an interest in their child's learning and support them to achieve their potential. Parents can review regularly their child's work, including homework. Parents are invited to meet their child's teachers at the annual parents' evenings. The SENDCo and relevant Pastoral Leader are also available at each of these evenings.





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> Pupils with an Education Health and Care Plan can also discuss progress and expectations at their child's annual review.

> High quality teaching and learning is valued at All Saints' for all learners and is actively monitored. Our aim is to create a learning environment that meets the needs of all members of our school community. We monitor progress of all our students and progress reports are sent home termly.

- (c) The schools approach to teaching pupils with special educational needs.
- (c) Every teacher in All Saints' is required to adapt the curriculum to ensure access to learning for all students in their class referred to as 'Quality First Teaching' or 'High Quality Teaching' by the SEND Code of Practice (2015). All teaching and support staff continue to develop their ongoing knowledge and understanding of SEND issues through planned professional development opportunities. In addition to interventions by the classroom teacher, the SENDCo will coordinate additional support based on individual need.
- (d) How the school adapts the curriculum and learning environment for pupils with special educational needs.
- (d) All Saints' aim is to provide a curriculum that is relevant and broad and helps all students to become as independent as possible in an environment that promotes positive learning experiences. Where appropriate, the curriculum is personalised to meet the needs of the individual student.
- (e) What additional support for learning is available to pupils with special education needs?
- (e) The SENDCo co-ordinates all decisions about the type of intervention and the level of support a student with additional needs receives. Support may range from the provision of learning aids, such as a coloured overlay, through to 1-1 adult support.





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- (f) Which activities are available for pupils with special educational needs in addition to those available in accordance with the curriculum?
- (f) All Saints' recognise the benefits of extracurricular activities that are conceptualised and implemented in ways to allow all students to actively participate. All encouraged to become students are involved in a wide range of activities; allowing students to find a group that is meaningful to them. These include lunchtime. after school activities and residential trips. These can be supported by the SEN department's staff. The benefits of our extra-curricular activities include:
 - Building strong relationship skills
 - Making a contribution
 - Raising self-esteem
 - Involvement in the community
 - Getting involved in diverse interests
 - Learning about commitments
 - Learning time management and prioritising
- (g) What support is available for improving the emotional and social development of pupils with Special Educational Needs?
- (g) Student's health and well-being is paramount All Saints' has a robust safeguarding policy in place. All staff have enhanced DBS. The school works closely with medical practitioners who provide medical health care plans which advise school on the medical needs of the individual student. The school also works closely with social care organisations, if your child requires that level of support

Section 4

Name and contact details of the SENDCo

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Section 5

What training is provided for staff supporting SEND students?

Every teacher at All Saints' is required to adapt the curriculum to ensure access to learning for all students in their class according to the Code of Practice. Staff are continuing to develop their ongoing knowledge and understanding through planned professional development opportunities.

The SENDCo also provides regular SEN updates to all staff.

Section 6

How accessible is All Saints'?

All Saints' has limited access for students, parents/carers with limited mobility. The school is accommodated on three floors which at present do not have lifts to access the upper floors. The ground floor has flights of stairs on the main corridor with a lift enabling wheelchair access along the ground floor. Access for wheelchairs/limited mobility have to be taken on the outside of the building. There is designated disabled parking at the front of the main school entrance. Furniture in the school is typical to an environment with education no specific specialist equipment. There is a disabled toilet available within the premises; this does not contain any showering facilities.

Classrooms all contain interactive whiteboards, are carpeted, include blinds and have traditional display boards. At All Saints' a wide variety of strategies and support material will be used, such as: timetables; school planners; school map; key word lists; support materials; writing frames; scaffolded tasks or outcomes; enlarged print; modified exam papers; mentoring; special exam arrangements (internal & external).

The school is part of the Department for Education School Rebuilding Programme, with the construction of a new school building expected to start in Spring 2024.





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Section 7

Consultation with parents regarding arrangements for children with Special Educational Needs.

All Saints' recognises the positive impact of involving parents in their child's education. For parents who may need support, help is available in school with the completion of forms and paperwork. Parents/carers can access this support through either the SEN department or the Pastoral team. The staff at All Saints' will help parents/carers with any difficulties they may be experiencing.

The SEN department has access to a wide range of outside agencies that can provide support to families in relation to specific issues and we signpost parents as appropriate.

Section 8

What arrangements are there for consulting young people with special education needs to involve them in their education?

All Saints' recognises the positive impact of involving students in their education.

Students are consulted and their views and opinions are entered into one page profiles (1PP). This is then put on the staff secure area for staff to access and to take into consideration the student's requirements where appropriate in their lessons. Student's 1PPs are reviewed and updated as required to a change in circumstances, no less than annually.

Students with an EHCP are invited to their annual review where they are able to contribute to deciding their review targets.

Where appropriate, the SEN department has access to a wide range of outside agencies which can provide support to students on specific issues and, where appropriate, students will be referred to the relevant agency.





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Section 9

What do I do if I have a concern about the school provision?

All Saints' develop provision for all of our learners ensuring achievement for all. The local offer states our provision for our learners with SEND; to be effective it needs the views of parents, carers, learners, governors and staff.

In the first instance we encourage you to contact either the subject teacher, pastoral leader or SENDCo. If you still have concerns, then please contact the Headteacher.

In the unlikely event that your concern is not resolved, any complaint should be submitted according to the School's Complaints' Policy, available online at:

https://www.allsaintshigh.lancs.sch.uk/policies/

Section 10 & 11

Which specialist services and expertise are available at / or accessed by the school?

Within the SEN department we have five teaching assistants. We also have one in-classroom Higher Level Teaching Assistant and there is an HLTA with administration responsibility for SEND.

Our support staff are utilised to ensure that students achieve their best outcomes and gain independence. We work on a system of shared support and our teaching assistants add significant value to classroom interactions.

For some learners, when appropriate, we may want to seek advice from specialist teams such as speech & language specialist, hearing impairment specialist, visual impairment specialist and educational psychologist.

Section 12

What are the school's arrangements for supporting pupils with Special Educational Needs during transition?

A range of practices are employed by All Saints' to support students from Year 6 to Year 7, making sure they feel prepared on entry. Transition begins in the September prior to year of entry, when potential students attend an Open Evening with parents/carers to introduce them to the school and staff before the application process begins.



Parents with SEND children can arrange extra visits to speak to the SENDCo to help them to prepare by addressing any worries and providing information both about the transition process and the available provision at secondary school.

Visits to feeder primary schools are conducted by the SENDCo to meet all students with significant additional needs to find out key information from the primary SENDCo and classroom teacher. EHCP reviews for Year 6 students may be attended by the SENDCo to discuss intervention and the next steps for transition.

Year 5 and Year 6 visit days allow all students to visit All Saints' and experience a day within the school setting with their peers. Parents of children with Special Educational Needs are welcome to phone the SENDCo at any time to arrange extra visits to help with transition.

We recognise the importance of all key transition points, including KS3 to KS4. Students with EHCPs will have their next steps discussed at annual review meetings for Y9 onwards and referral to further agencies via Lancashire SEND services can be made by the SENDCo to support such students with the transition.

All students receive support from the school's careers advisor with preparing for the KS4 to KS5 this transition and Additional support with completing applications and visiting colleges can be provided for students with SEND

Section 13

Where can I get further information on the local authority's local offer?

For more information about services available visit:

Lancashire Local Offer http://www.lancashire.gov.uk

For more information on the School's SEN and Disability Offer visit:

https://www.allsaintshigh.lancs.sch.uk/sen-and-disability/