

SEND Parent Forum

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Special educational needs and disability code of practice: 0 to 25 years

Statutory guidance for organisations who work with and support children and young people with special educational needs and

Role:

- overseeing the day-to-day operation of the school's SEN policy
- co-ordinating provision for children with SEN
- liaising with the relevant Designated Teacher where a looked after pupil has SEN
- advising on the graduated approach to providing SEN support
- advising on the deployment of the school's SEN budget and other resources to meet pupils' needs effectively
- liaising with parents of pupils with SEN
- liaising with early years providers, other schools, educational psychologists, health and social care professionals, and independent or voluntary bodies
- being a key point of contact with external agencies, especially the local authority and its support services
- liaising with potential next providers of education to ensure a pupil and their parents are informed about options and a smooth transition is planned
- working with the headteacher and school governors to ensure that the school meets its responsibilities under the Equality Act (2010) with regard to reasonable adjustments and access arrangements
- ensuring that the school keeps the records of all pupils with SEN up to date

Collaboration is the key to successful SEN provision-thank you for being here!



What does it mean to have a Special Educational Need?

A child or young person has SEND if they have:

'a learning difficulty or disability requiring special educational provision'



How do we identify if a child has a special educational need?

Parent or Teacher has a concern

If the school needs further support around how best to assess, a referral to an outside agency may be needed.



Concern is shared with the SENCO

If required, school assessments are completed and a cycle of Assess, Plan, Do, Review begins.



The child's needs are discussed and monitored for a short time.

How do we categorise needs?

Cognition and Learning Difficulties

- . Specific Learning Difficulties (SPLD)
- E.G. Dyslexia, Discalculia,
- Moderate Learning Difficulties (MLD)
- Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD)
- Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulty (PMLD)

Social, Emotional and/or Mental Needs

- Depression
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Eating Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Mental Health Issues
- Social Disorders

Communication and Interaction Needs

- Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)
- Autistic Sprectrum Disorder (ASD)

Sensory and/or Physical Needs

- Visual Impairment (VI)
- Hearing Impairment (HI)
- Multi-Sensory Impairment (MSI)
- Physical Disability (PD)



What is Special Educational Provision?

SEP is support that is:

"Additional to, or different from that made generally for others of the same age"

It can include:

- Additional support from staff within lessons
- Different or additional equipment
- Adaptations to the main curriculum
- Interventions outside of the classroom
- involvement of specialist staff or support services

The **SEND Code of Practice** 2015 says schools and early years providers **must**:

"...use their best endeavours to make sure that a child with SEN gets the support they need — this means **doing everything they can** to meet children and young people's SEN" (6.2)

What is our St. Paul's Offer?



Teacher-led approaches with a focus on clear explanations, modelling and frequent checks for understanding. This is then followed by guided practice, before independent practice.



2 Cognitive and metacognitive strategies

Managing cognitive load is crucial if new content is to be transferred into students' long-term memory. Provide opportunities for students to plan, monitor and evaluate their own learning.



Scaffolding

When students are working on a written task, provide a supportive tool or resource such as a writing frame or a partially completed example. Aim to provide less support of this nature throughout the course of the lesson, week or term.



Flexible grouping

Allocate groups temporarily, based on current level of mastery. This could, for example, be a group that comes together to get some additional spelling instruction based on current need, before re-joining the main class.



S Using technology

Technology can be used by a teacher to model worked examples; it can be used by a student to help them to learn, to practice and to record their learning. For instance, you might use a class visualiser to share students' work or to jointly rework an incorrect model.





1

Create a positive and supportive environment for all pupils, without exception



- An inclusive school removes barriers to learning and participation, provides an education that is appropriate to pupils' needs, and promotes high standards and the fulfilment of potential for all pupils. Schools should:
- promote positive relationships, active engagement, and wellbeing for all pupils;
- ensure all pupils can access the best possible teaching; and
- adopt a positive and proactive approach to behaviour, as described in the EEF's Improving Behaviour in Schools quidance report.

2

Build an ongoing, holistic understanding of your pupils and their needs



- Schools should aim to understand individual pupil's learning needs using the graduated approach of the 'assess, plan, do, review' approach.
- Assessment should be regular and purposeful rather than a one-off event, and should seek input from parents and carers as well as the pupil themselves and specialist professionals.
- Teachers need to feel empowered and trusted to use the information they collect to make a decision about the next steps for teaching that child.

3

Ensure all pupils have access to high quality teaching



- To a great extent, good teaching for pupils with SEND is good teaching for all.
- Searching for a 'magic bullet' can distract teachers from the powerful strategies they often already possess.
- The research suggests a group of teaching strategies that teachers should consider emphasising for pupils with SEND. Teachers should develop a repertoire of these strategies they can use flexibly in response to the needs of all pupils.
- flexible grouping;
- cognitive and metacognitive strategies;
- explicit instruction:
- using technology to support pupils with SEND; and
- scaffolding.

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Is have access
teaching

Complement high quality teaching
with carefully selected small-group
and one-to-one interventions



- Small-group and one-to-one interventions can be a powerful tool but must be used carefully. Ineffective use of interventions can create a barrier to the inclusion of pupils with SEND.
- High quality teaching should reduce the need for extra support, but it is likely that some pupils will require high quality, structured, targeted interventions to make progress.
- The intensity of intervention (from universal to targeted to specialist) should increase with need.
- Interventions should be carefully targeted through identification and assessment of need.
- Interventions should be applied using the principles of effective implementation described in the EEF's guidance report Putting Evidence to Work: A School's Guide to Implementation.

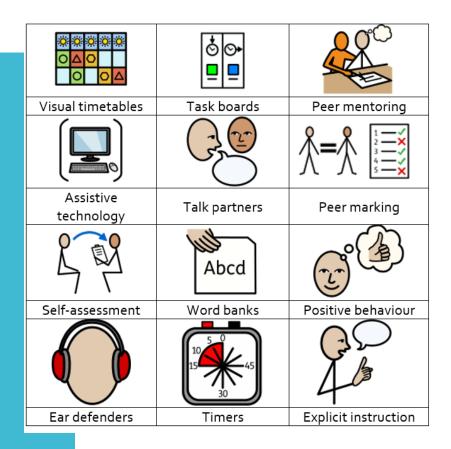
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Work effectively with teaching assistants

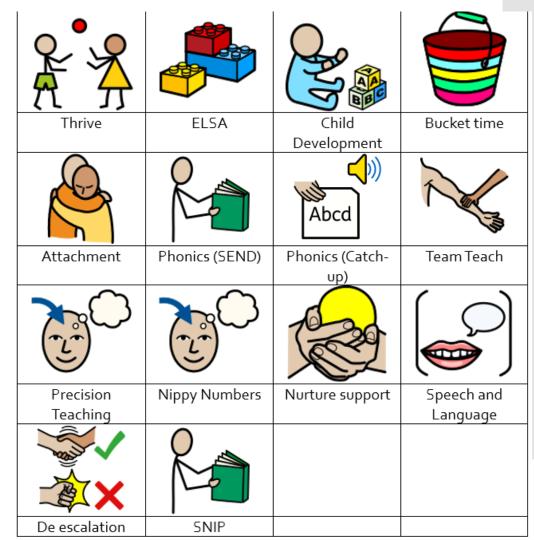


- Effective deployment of teaching assistants (TAs) is critical. School leaders should pay careful attention to the roles of TAs and ensure they have a positive impact on pupils with SEND.
- TAs should supplement, not replace, teaching from the classroom teacher.
- The EEF's guidance report <u>Making Best</u> <u>Use of Teaching Assistants</u> provides detailed recommendations.

What else is available?



Some of our staff have completed training in the following areas.



My child has been identified as having an SEN need. What happens now?



Assess, Plan, Do, Review



IEP children

Most needs can be met in the classroom with some adaptations. Small group interventions may be appropriate for some.

Wiltshire Ordinarily Available Provision for All Learners (OPAL) 2023

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's Individual Education Plan

Personal Information			
Full name:	Year/Class:		
DOB:	Home Language/s:		
Child Looked After/SGO: Y/N Child in Need/Child Protection: Y/N Military Family: Y/N	Pupil premium: Y/N Other targeted funding:		
SEND area/s of need:			
□Communication & Interaction □Social, Emotional & Mental Health			
□Cognition and learning □Sensory and/or Physical			
Summary of SEND: (including any formal diagnoses with name, organisation, and date)			
Teaching and Learning Approaches: (How I learn best)			

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Feedback
Child or parent/carer feedback at review:
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Professional views - including name, service, date and type of involvement (visit and report, remote
individual consultation, surgery discussion)

My Support Plan Children

Despite our best efforts, we are not quite meeting the needs of a young person through our OPAL or in house interventions.



Sleeping
Diet
Bladder and bowel







Behaviour Support Service

More than just about the behaviour.



Occupational
Therapy
Physiotherapy
Paediatrician
Speech and
Language Therapy







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SEND area/s of need: □Communication & Interaction

□Social, Emotional & Mental Health

Parent/Carer Voice
Please describe in a few words your child's key strengths and difficulties:
How these impact at home and school or setting:
What they like and what makes them happy:
Hopes for my/our child now and hopes on what they can achieve next:

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EHCP children

EHCP Process Flowchart

1-6 weeks

A parent or school makes a request for an EHC Needs Assessment to the LA.

This is a simple letter saying why you think your child has special educational needs and why his/her needs cannot be met at school without additional support.



The letter gives the right of appeal to Sendist, see the Sendist appeal process for more info

Within 6 weeks of making the request, you will receive a letter from your local authority with a decision about the request for an EHC Needs Assessment. If they feel that this is not necessary, the letter will explain why not.

6-12 weeks

Those who are contacted for information related to the EHC needs assessment, have 6 weeks to respond. This is a legal requirement regardless of waiting lists or a shortage of professionals to carry out the work.

As the information from the above is received, the LA should decide whether or not to issue an EHC Plan and reach this decision by week 12. By week 12, the Local Authority should decide if it will be able to start drafting the EHCP. This draft will be sent to the parents and all those who contributed advice and information to the EHC Needs Assessment.

13-16 weeks

If by week 12, the LA has decided to issue an EHC Plan then it must issue the draft version by week 14, sending a copy to parents and all those who contributed to the EHC Needs Assessment. The draft EHCP should be sent along with all of the information and advice received during the EHC Needs Assessment process.

Once the draft EHCP has been issued, the parents have 15 days in which to respond to the draft with their comments and changes, to name the type of school (mainstream or special) and/or the specific school they want named in the EHCP and to request a meeting with the LA if they would like to discuss the EHCP.

Once the LA has received the parent's decision about school placement then they must consult with the school specified by the parents and the school must respond with its decision within 15 days. All responses from schools will be shared with the parents.

If by week 12 the LA decision was to not issue an EHCP then it must notify the parents of this decision and of their right of appeal; this must be done by week 16.



17-20 weeks

Between week 17 and week 20 the LA should issue the final EHCP. A copy should be sent to the parents and to the school named in the EHCP, where the child or young person will be attending.



The final EHCP will explain parental rights & the right to appeal to a tribunal

The 20-week deadline is a legal deadline and any extension beyond the 20 weeks is limited to specific exceptions.

What's next?

Assuming you've received your EHCP without a hitch, you can expect it to be reviewed yearly. For children under 5, the reviews are every six months. The annual review gives the parents, the child, the Local Authority, and the educational facility an opportunity to reflect on the last year and suggest changes.

Presented by:



Final My EHC Plan for



Page 1 of 12 My Plan V.9 working



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In Wiltshire Children with SEN may have their needs met in one of three educational settings:

•	Mainstream schools	L1- £2104
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Special school

L2- £5,792 There is one banding system for all children/young people with SEN using 7 banding points.

U2- £7679 Band zero

- 2. Lower band one
- 3. Upper band one
- 4. Lower band two
- 5. Upper band two
- 3- £11, 255 6. Band three
- 7. Band four 4-£16,428

The table below shows how bandings relate to School/Academy settings.

School	Banding						
	0	Lower 1	Upper 1	Lower 2	Upper 2	3	4
Mainstream School	4	✓	/	✓	/		
Resource Bases		~	V	V	4	4	
ELP		/	V	V			
Special School		4	V	4	4	4	V
Independent Special School							/

This document is particularly focused on children whose needs are met in **mainstream schools**. There are three possible bandings:

St. Paul's SEND register- 36 pupils (24%)

SEN/SEN Support

National: 13%

Wiltshire: 14.7% (range of 3.75% to

37.18%)

St. Paul's- 21.9%

EHCPs

National: 2.5% Wiltshire: 3.4%

St. Paul's: 2% (currently)

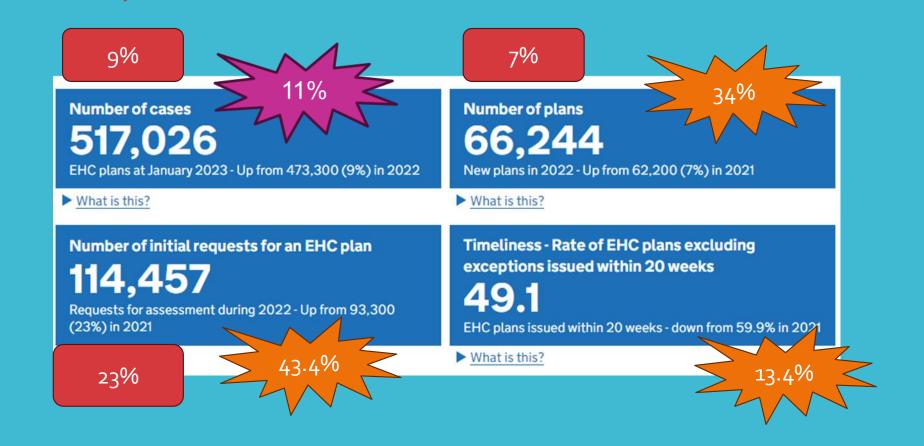


Great oaks from little acorns grow

What is the SEN climate like outside of our school?







SEN: The National and Wiltshire Picture



SEN Parent Coffee Morning

Thursday 7th December 2023

8.40- 9.15am

The Wiltshire Local Authority Local Offer can be found at:				
https://localoffer.wiltshire.gov.uk/				
www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk				
www.family-action.org.uk/wiltshire-				
sendiass				
www.carersupportwiltshire.co.uk				
www.bdadyslexia.org.uk				
www.adhdfoundation.org.uk				
www.wsun.co.uk/wiltshire-autism-hub				
www.autism.org.uk				



Welcome to Holland

by Emily Perl Kingsley

When you're going to have a baby, it's like planning a fabulous vacation tripto Italy. You buy a bunch of guide books and make your wonderful plans. The Coliseum. The Michelangelo David. The gondolas in Venice. You may learn some handy phrases in Italian. It's all very exciting.

After months of eager anticipation, the day finally arrives. You pack your bags and off you go. Several hours later, the plane lands. The stewardess comes in and says, "Welcome to Holland."

"Holland?!?" you say. "What do you mean Holland?? I signed up for Italy! I'm supposed to be in Italy. All my life I've dreamed of going to Italy."

But there's been a change in the flight plan. They've landed in Holland and there you must stay.

The important thing is that they haven't taken you to a horrible, disgusting, filthy place, full of pestilence, famine and disease. It's just a different place.

So you must go out and buy new guide books. And you must learn a whole new language. And you will meet a whole new group of people you would never have met.

It's just a different place, it's slower-paced than Italy, less flashy than Italy. But after you've been there for a while and you catch your breath, you look around.... and you begin to notice that Holland has windmills.... and Holland has tulips. Holland even has Rembrandts.

But everyone you know is busy coming and going from Italy... And for the rest of your life, you will say "Yes, that's where I was supposed to go. That's what I had planned."

But... if you spend your life mourning the fact that you didn't get to Italy, you may never be free to enjoy the very special, the very lovely things... about Holland.

Questions