



What can I expect at my local school if my child has special needs?
We will make sure your child is safe and happy at school

Open and honest communication

We will make all the information we need to share with you clear and easy to understand

If we think your child needs extra support we will always talk to you about this

We have a member of staff called the Special Needs Coordinator (SENCO) who will explain everything to you and make sure you understand what is happening

The SENCO will make sure that all necessary school staff are aware of your child's needs and worries

Your child's progress will be reviewed regularly and you will be invited into school to discuss the outcomes and give your views. Your child will also be able to give their views

The school will try to make sure that children with additional needs and their families are able to take part fully in school trips, performances and social events

We will work in partnership with you to identify the needs of your child and put in place the correct support including family support if you need this

Sometimes we may need to ask for your permission to involve other qualified professionals to support your child

A Partnership approach

The school will involve you in all decisions and listen to your views

We will be happy to give you contact details for organisations who can give you and your child advice and support

The school will try to involve your child in decisions about their learning

Appropriate and effective Teaching and Learning

The school will provide good teaching for your child and extra support when needed

Teaching and support staff will be able to accurately assess the level children are working at and differentiate the curriculum

A range of resources will be available in all learning areas to support learning for children operating at different levels

All school staff will receive appropriate training so they have the knowledge and confidence to support children's needs

Where necessary, resources will be available to support the learning of children who have significant social and/or communication needs

The school will provide support for children if they need support with managing their own behaviour and/or to build up skills and confidence in dealing with social situations