



SEND & Disability Information Report

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Mission Statement

The Divine Mercy is a Roman Catholic Primary School which reflects the teachings of Jesus Christ in the Gospels.

With Jesus in our hearts and the children at the centre we welcome and reach out to our diverse community in the Christian spirit.

We value and nurture everyone, inspiring them to reach their full potential through the education and formation our school brings about.

SEND, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Report 2022/2023

Introduction

The SEND Regulations 2014 states that all Schools must publish information on their websites about the implementation of the Governing Body's Policy for pupils with SEND.

The kinds of special educational needs that are provided for at The Divine Mercy RC Primary School are:

- The four broad 'areas of need' that we cater for are Communication and Interaction needs, Cognition and Learning needs, Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties, and Sensory and Physical needs

Policies for identifying children and young people with SEND and assessing their needs:

- SEND Policy
- Accessibility Policy
- Medical Policy

Name and Contact details of Lead Professionals in School:

Chair of Governors

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Special Educational Needs and Disabilities/Safeguarding Governor

- John Byrne

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SENDCo

- Megan Whitehead

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Assistant SENDCos

- Katrina Edwards, Lisa Ayodele, Sophie Iveson

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Arrangements for consulting parents of children with SENDD and involving them in their child's education

- Daily oral reports or Home Communication Book from the class teacher and/or 1:1 TA if required for all EHCP children
- Parents evening twice a year
- One Page Profile for all children on SEN support
- Annual review meetings for children with an EHCP
- Meetings with outside agencies when required throughout the year
- Open door policy with the School SENDCo and Assistant SENDCos

Arrangements for consulting young people with SEND and involving them in their education

- Review of targets with class teacher and TA including pupil voice
- Pupil views questionnaire, views of children and young people/EHC plan

Arrangements for assessing and reviewing children and young people's' progress towards outcomes, including the opportunities available to work with parents and young people as part of this assessment review

- Annual review meetings
- Parents evenings twice a year
- Consultation of what needs to be achieved with Parents/Carers
- Parents are invited to attend meetings with different agencies if required

Arrangements for supporting children and young people in moving between phases of education and preparing for adulthood

- Extra transition visits to choice of High School for children with SEND/Vulnerable Children
- Face to face meetings with High School SENDCO throughout year 5 and 6 for children who have EHC Plan
- Transition time for staff when children move between key stages
- Children meet the new teacher/staff alongside familiar staff
- Children are able to access other key stages if appropriate during transition

The approach to teaching children and young people with SEND

- Additional in-class support;
- Interventions

- Place2Be Support
 - Additional out-of-class support; one-to-one support;
 - Flexible groupings (including small group work);
 - Mentoring;
 - Quality First Teaching
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- Access to a wide range of outside agencies including Speech and Language, Educational Psychologist, Continuous Professional Development for all staff with regards to SEND

How adaptations are made to the curriculum and learning environment of children with SEND

- Every Child treated as an individual
- Differentiated work by the class teacher
- Additional resources to support learning styles and needs if required
- Access to provision in other key stages when appropriate
- Flexible timetabling e.g. dinner time

Expertise and training of staff to support children and young people with SEND

- NASEN qualified SENDCo
- Children have access to an Educational Psychologist, Speech and language therapist and a trained counsellor
- CPD for teachers from the Speech and Language services for whole staff and individual staff
- CPD for teachers from the School Educational Psychologist
- Outreach support from the Birches, Lancasterian Specialist School, PRU and the Grange
- Access to support from a Place2be counsellor for both parents and children
- Performance management annually for all staff

Evaluating the effectiveness of the provision made for children and young people with SEND

- Provision Map regularly evaluated
- Pupil progress three times a year
- Interventions monitored and evaluated according to need

How children and young people with SEND are enabled to engage in activities available with children and young people who do not have SEND

- We do not offer targeted extra-curricular activities for children with Special Educational Needs, but instead actively try to ensure that all children can access all our extra-curricular activities in an inclusive manner with the appropriate resources or provision

Support for emotional and social development

- P2B including Place2Talk where children can self refer to have an appointment with a trained counsellor

How the School involves other bodies in meeting children and young people's SEND and supporting their families

- Outreach support from Lancasterian, the Birches Specialist School, the Grange and Rodney House
- Referrals to the School Nurse for CAMHS
- EH Assessments

Looked after Children (LAC) and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

All the above arrangements apply in the same way if a child has SEND and is a Looked after Child. The Designated Person for LAC is Paola Billingham.

SENDD Abbreviations List

D/ADHD	Attention Deficit Disorder / Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ASD	Autistic Spectrum Disorder
Assessment	A detailed examination of a child's special educational needs
Baseline Assessment	A standardised teacher assessment designed to establish the attainment level of children at a significant point
Basic Skills	Reading, Writing and Maths
BSS	Behaviour Support Service
CA	Classroom Assistant
CoP	Code of Practice
CI	Communication and Interaction
CL	Cognition and Learning
CP	Child Protection
CPR	Child Protection Register
DoB	Date of Birth
EBD	Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties
ESBD	Emotional, Social and Behavioural Difficulties
EOTAS	Education Other Than at School
EP	Education Psychologist
ESW	Education Social Worker
EWO	Education Welfare Officer
FE	Further Education
FSM	Free School Meals
G&T	Gifted & Talented
GMS	Grant Maintained School
HE	Higher Education
HI	Hearing Impaired
IEP	Individual Education Plan
LA	Local Authority
LD	Learning Difficulties
LSA	Learning Support Assistant
LSS	Learning Support Service

MDT	Multi-Disciplinary Team
MLD	Moderate Learning Difficulties
NC	National Curriculum
NQT	Newly Qualified Teacher
ODD	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OT	Occupational Therapy
PE	Physical Education
PEP	Personal Education Plan
PTA	Parent Teacher Association
PPO	Parent Partnership Officer
PRU	Pupil Referral Unit
PSP	Pastoral Support Programme
RoA	Records of Achievement
SAL/SLT	Speech and Language Therapy