Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) - provision list

Icknield Walk First and Nursery School is an inclusive school. We offer from a range of provision to support children with SEND. This is not an exhaustive list.

Intervention

Access to the curriculum:

- 1:1 support/small group
- Class and personalised visual timetables
- Enlarged print
- Use of a scribe/reader
- Range of methods for recording such as in picture form, use of IT

Strategies to support develop English:

- Curriculum adapted to support child's needs
- Precision teaching
- Pupil progress meetings for English and for SEN
- Interventions such as Tracks, Rapid Writing, Rapid reading, Early Literacy Support,
- Pre-learning of vocabulary/Pre-reading of guided reading books

Strategies to support/develop maths:

- Pupil progress meetings for maths and for SEN
- Curriculum adapted to support child's needs
- Precision teaching
- Pre-teaching/ small teaching groups
- Maths games/activity packs to consolidate skills at home

Access to a supportive environment –IT facilities/equipment/resources (inc. preparation):

Icknield Walk has excellent IT provision to support all children including those with SEND (including lap tops and ipads). In addition we offer:

- Particular programmes or Apps to help those who have Specific Learning Difficulties, for example, Clicker or Dyslexia Gold
- Resources to aid understanding and communication such as Communicate in Print

Strategies / programmes to support speech and language and communication:

- Small group work and 1:1 support for speaking and listening to encourage interaction between peers and adults
- Use of sound buttons to record ideas
- Talking partners
- Involvement of speech and language therapist and support with the programmes written for the children
- Elklan trained Tas
- Lego group
- Visual timetable/now and next boards

Strategies to promote pro-social behaviour

Icknield Walk operates a whole school policy to support good relationships and positive behaviour. There is a focus on providing a safe and stimulating environment for all.

Additional strategies include:

- Analysis of behaviour to identify what the behaviour is communicating and any trigger points
- Additional TA support
- Lunchtime timetable of activities
- Close mentoring/monitoring in the playground
- Quiet classroom/area at lunchtime

- Support in transition time
- Personalised timetable
- Therapeutic Thinking Hertfordshire Steps Risk Reduction Plan or a Predict, Prevent and Progress Plan
- Pastoral Support Plan
- My Time intervention

Involvement of the North Herts Primary Support Service

Strategies to improve mental health and promote emotional well-being:

Icknield Walk has an open door philosophy so parents are able to speak to a member of the SLT very quickly:

- Pupils are encouraged to speak to members of staff about concerns
- Pupils have access to smiley and sad faces which are left on the teacher's desk to show they have something to share.
- All classes have a 'Feelings Tree', allowing children to show how they are feeling; this will be followed up with the child during the day by the staff.
- 5 steps to well being
- PSHE Programmes
- Time to Talk
- Gardening
- Rainbow book
- Drawing and Talking
- My Time
- Small group Nurturing Time developing social skills, emotional and language development
- Pre-learning sessions
- Access to the Emotional Well Being Mentor (EWBM), Emotional Learning Support Assistant (ELSA), Education Mental Health Practitioner from the NHS Mental Health Support Team (MHST)
- Frequent communication with parents/carers through newsletters, emails and texts
- Protective behaviours
- Transition support
- Quiet areas for playtimes and lunchtimes
- Bluebird sensory room
- Trampette/big ball movement breaks
- ICT support at lunchtime
- Buddies/playground helpers at lunchtime
- Wobble cushion, wobble stool, fidget aids, ear defenders, weighted blankets

Access to strategies/programmes to support Occupational Therapy/Physiotherapy needs:

- Pupil exercises will be incorporated in PE/Games sessions or 1:1/small group sessions
- Fine and gross motor skill activities can be delivered either as 1:1 or small group
- Writing slopes, wedge cushions, pencil grips

We will work with families to refer to external professionals where appropriate; this could include:

- School nurse team
- Attendance team
- Educational Psychologist
- Specific Learning Difficulties Advisory Team
- Physical and Neurological Support Team
- Hearing Impairment team
- Visual Impairment team

- RASP Family Support Worker
- Intensive Family Support
- North Herts Primary Support Service
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Speech, Language, Communication and Autism Team
- Drama Therapist/Art Therapist
- Step2/CAMHs (via GP or nurse referral)
- Children's Well Being Practitioners
- Virtual School for Looked After Children

Medical Needs:

- Vast majority of support staff are first aid trained and their training is updated regularly
- Training is given in relation to epi-pen, asthma and other conditions as appropriate
- Children with specific medical conditions have a personalised medical care plan and staff are trained accordingly
- Disabled toilet access

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