



Luddendenfoot Academy
Part of Brighter Futures Academy Trust



The following details Luddendenfoot Academy's Individual Local offer (SEN information Report as required in Schedule 1 of Regulation 51) and should be read in conjunction with the Core Offer set out in Calderdale's Local offer <https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/sites/default/files/Calderdale-Core-Offer-August.pdf> which details the provision available in all Calderdale Schools and academies.

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<p>See also: SEND policy Behaviour policy Safeguarding policy</p>	

Below are frequently asked questions that parents/carers may ask about provision for children and young people who have special educational needs. The information aims to be clear and easy to understand however if you prefer to talk to a member of staff, please use the phone number or the email addresses above to contact school.

<p>How will Luddendenfoot Academy support my child and help them to reach their potential?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to a broad, balanced and highly-differentiated curriculum which takes account of individual needs, different learning styles and children’s interests • Well-staffed classrooms- at least one teacher and one support assistant in each class • Quality First Wave 1 teaching and high expectations for all pupils • Quality of teaching and learning well monitored by highly experienced leaders. • Rigorous pupil tracking which ensures progress and attainment of all children are monitored, making comparisons with national expectations • Individualised targets for all children • Dedicated SENDCo time. Our SENDCo is the Head of School/SLE and the assistant SENDCo is the Y3 teacher/SLE. • SENCo holds the National Award for Special Educational Needs Co-ordination • Detailed programme of reviews with parents and professionals: 3 parents’ consultations evenings a year; termly reviews for all pupils on the SEN register and comprehensive annual reviews. Parents and pupils views are very important to us. • Early identification of additional needs • Appropriate screening e.g. Dyslexia, dyspraxia and movement, speech and language • Regular liaison with a range of external agencies who provide support and advice for children. • Referral to Early Intervention Panel • Referral for EHC plan or Single Assessment Framework. • Opportunities to review progress at least termly with parents and professionals and in consultation with pupils • Currently, a team of 7 teachers, 2 HLTAs and 7 support assistants to meet individual needs. • Clear Code of Conduct created by pupils • Rewards and sanctions present in all classrooms and around school • Dyslexia friendly classroom • Teaching and support staff are kept up to date on SEN issues regarding pupils they have regular contact with for example; attachment disorder, multi-sensory teaching, positive behaviour management • School values are promoted throughout
<p>How do we involve parents, children and young people?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We ensure that parent/carers and pupils are involved in discussions around their learning/progress and achievements. • Individual Education Plan (IEP) targets are set through discussion and everyone has their role to play in helping the young person achieve them. • Parent/carers and pupils are asked to give their views at each review and these are evidenced on IEP’s. • Pen portraits of pupils are updated and give a snap shot of each pupil on the SEN register.
<p>How do we help a child with physical needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School building is fully compliant with the Disability Discrimination Act and Equality Act 2010. • Lift to upper floor. • Toilet for the disabled, with specialist adaptations to facilitate independent toileting. • Showering facilities. • Access to equipment which assists fine-motor development and writing skills: sloping boards; a variety of pencil grips; a variety of pens, a range of ICT equipment and multi-sensory writing apparatus; therapeutty. • Movement group.
<p>How do we help a child with speech and language needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training for support staff from Speech and Language therapists. • Staff experienced in the use of ‘Black Sheep Narrative’ and ‘Word Wizard’ materials • Social Use of Language small group sessions.

<p>How do we help a child with sensory impairment?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of visual timetables in all classrooms • Music is used to indicate timescales for activities, lesson, tidy up times • Individualised visual timetables • Organisational timetables for pupils • Classroom seating position • Individual plans for each pupil • Carpeted throughout • Staff awareness of supportive strategies for individual pupils • Specific tools to aid pupils e.g. alarm clock • Close liaison with sensory impairment Team
<p>How do we help a child who has social and emotional difficulties?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to a Social Worker within the Trust • Small group nurture sessions • Access to specialist counselling-e.g. Noah's Ark • Social Use of Language small group sessions • Circle of Friends approach • Support for the development of social skills throughout the school day • Access to specialist support for children with ASD and their families
<p>How do we help a child with behavioural difficulties?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff promote positive behaviour management strategies • Structured school and classroom routines, including visual timetables • Individual support as necessary • Close liaison with Behaviour and Attendance Service to create individual behaviour plans • Whole school behaviour policy, rules, expectations and rewards • Variety of groups to promote self-esteem and anger management
<p>How do we help a child who needs support with literacy?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality first teaching • Better Reading programme • Accelerated Reader programme • Toe by toe • Programme of 1:1 reading provided by volunteers. • Individual and small intervention groups e.g. Precision teaching, phonics tutoring • RWI from EYFS to Year 3 if required, this includes the Fresh Start programme • Dyslexia aware staff throughout school who use Dyslexia friendly teaching strategies • Multi-sensory teaching strategies • Basic skills embedded throughout teaching and learning
<p>How do we help a child who needs support with numeracy?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality first teaching • Targeted intervention programmes e.g. Springboard • Individual and small intervention groups e.g. Plus 1, Power of 2, Precision Teaching, First class in number, Max's Marvellous Maths • Basic skills embedded throughout teaching and learning
<p>How do we support a child who has medical needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individualised medical needs plans created by a team around the child including the school nurse, parents and first aiders in school. • All adults basic first aid trained. • 4 Paediatric first aiders.
<p>How do we support a child with complex and multiple needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaison with local primary special schools, including split placements/inclusion visits
<p>How will we meet a child's personal care needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Code of conduct adhered by all staff • Disabled toilets • Children are given as much responsibility for personal care as is possible with staff interventions only coming into force when necessary and following strict procedures. Staff will only call parent/cares in absolute emergency • Health Care Plans are written to cater for individuals
<p>Which specialist services do we access beyond the school?</p>	<p>We currently have regular contact with the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech and Language therapy

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How will we include children in activities outside the classroom including school trips?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground support allocated as necessary • Vulnerable pupils and those with special needs are invited to out of school clubs • Extra staff deployed for trips to meet the stringent requirements of our risk assessments • Parents/carers consulted prior to trips for advice and guidance • Additional transporting arrangements as necessary • Special arrangements to enable pupils to participate in all trips
How do we prepare and support a child for joining school and transferring to secondary school?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home or pre-school visits by Reception staff • Visits to pre-school placements by SENCo and other school staff • Extended visits to Reception class planned in Summer term before starting • Transition plans – extended visits to secondary school with primary school staff • Close liaison with all other settings involved in transition – good exchange of information • Extra session at the High School for pupils with specific needs
How will we develop social skills throughout the school day, especially break times?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playtimes/lunchtimes seen as an important part of the day and included in time for 1:1 support for pupils on a EHC plan • Play leaders lead activities at playtime • Positive Play Promoted by lunchtime and playtime staff
How do we allocate resources?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision mapping and intervention timetabling is thorough and monitored closely • One to one support given as specified in a child's EHC plan • Adult support allocated in response to needs • Attainment, progress and wellbeing of all children reviewed at least termly to ensure provision is matched to needs. • Regular evaluation of the effectiveness of provision
How do we ensure all staff are well trained?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular training sessions and updates for all staff on SEN issues • Whole school training part of School Development Plan (e.g. 2013-2014 Dyslexia Friendly School training) • Commitment to maintain levels of training if staff leave • Well planned programme of CPD, accessing both external agencies and in-school support
How do we raise awareness of special educational needs for parents and the wider community?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achievements of all pupils are shared in newsletters and reward assemblies • We hold drop-in/coffee mornings for parent/carers of all pupils • All pupils work is celebrated through the attractive displays throughout school • Pupils are given opportunities to take part in out of school events/competitions

How do we evaluate and review the support provided?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff are monitored and their performance is reviewed on a regular basis • Interventions are reviewed on an ongoing basis and the most experienced staff cater for particular areas of need throughout school
How do we deal with complaints regarding our provision for children and young people with SEN?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any complaint regarding the provision for pupils with SEN should initially be addressed with the SLT and the Head of School. • Further complaints should be directed to the School Governing Body

Sources of support and advice for parent carers and young people

SENDIASS

The Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information, Advice and Support Service provides legally based, impartial, confidential and accessible information, advice and support for parents of children and young people with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities about education, health and social care.

Contact details:

- <http://wwcalderdalesendiass.org.uk/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/sendiasscalderdale>
- 01422 266141
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Unique Ways (formally Calderdale Parents and Carers)

Unique Ways are a parent-led organisation supporting disabled children and their families, helping them to lead ordinary lives. Their goal is to make sure that the voices of parent carers and their families are heard.

Unique Ways also provide a broad range of services for parent carers, from training courses and Independent Supporters to social events, focus groups and discounts on family days out. Their services are not restricted to whether a child has a diagnosis or not, and instead work with anyone who feels they need other help.

Independent Support is currently offered by Unique Ways. They will provide advice and support for parents of children with SEN, and young people with SEN, through the statutory assessment and Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) processes.

Contact details:

- <http://www.uniqueways.org.uk/>
- 01422 343090

Information, Advice and Support Helpline

- <http://councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk/information-advice-and-support-programme/about-us>
- 0808 808 3555

For full details of the entire support provided for parents please follow the link to Calderdale's Local offer:

www.calderdale.gov.uk/localoffer

