

St James C of E Primary School

SEN 'LOCAL OFFER'

My child has Special Educational Needs.

What can you offer at St James C of E Primary School?

This is a question which certainly doesn't have a standard, single answer. At St James C of E Primary School we embrace the fact that **every child is different** and, therefore, **the educational needs of every child are different** – this is certainly the case for children with Special Educational Needs.

Who we are

Everyone at St James is involved in the life of the school, those who have more specific roles in relation to our Special Need Provision are:

Head teacher: Mr G. Shortall

School Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo): Mrs Gore

"My role as SENCo at St James is to manage Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. This involves liaising with Mr Shortall, the staff at the school, parents, children and outside agencies in ensuring that seamless support is offered to children and their parents and carers. We identify special educational needs and disabilities and I co-ordinate provision and monitor the effectiveness of any special educational provision. I secure relevant services for pupils where necessary."

All teaching staff are involved in supporting children with Special Educational Needs.

What do we offer?

In terms of what we offer children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities, this is different for every child and it is important to emphasise that, as much as possible, **this provision is designed by the relevant St James C of E Primary School staff members working alongside the child, the child's family and, where necessary, outside agencies*** (e.g. a Speech and Language Therapist or an Educational Psychologist).

Parental/Carer comments from the Summer Term 2018 questionnaire:

... of parents and carers agree or strongly agree that their child is happy at St James.

... of parents and carers agree or strongly agree that their child feels safe at St James.

.... of parents and carers agree or strongly agree that their child makes good progress at St James.

... of parents and carers agree or strongly agree that their child is well taught at St James.

.... of parents and carers agree or strongly agree that they would recommend St James to another parent.

As a team, we identify the children’s needs and we match the appropriate provision to meet their needs. This is set out in the school’s provision map. The overview of our provision below shows you what interventions may be used in school, depending upon the need of the child.

Stage	Intervention
Early Years Foundation Stage	Nursery & Reception – Boost Language Intervention British Picture Vocabulary Assessment Reception - Narrative Therapy
Key Stage 1	5 Minute Box Literacy 5 Minute Box Numeracy Narrative Therapy Precision Teach Fine Motor Skills Intervention Alphabet Arc Intervention Numbershark Wordshark Memory Booster Social Communication Skills KS1 Nessy Toe by Toe Power of 1 for Maths Mathletics Sliding in programme for language
Key Stage 2	Narrative Therapy Precision Teach Fine Motor Skills Intervention Alphabet Arc Intervention Numbershark Wordshark Memory Booster Reading for Meaning Nessy Toe by Toe Power of 1 for Maths/ Plus 2 Inference Intervention Mathletics Sliding in programme for language

We will take time to explain to you what we have out in place for your child and why. Often, a child with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities will have an **IEP (Individual Education Plan)** which sets out **targets** that are currently being worked on and what **additional provision** is put in place for that child. The content of the IEP is negotiated, as appropriate, with the child and the child’s family. This is why it is so important that parents/carers attend our **Parental Consultation Evenings**. These are held in the autumn and summer terms.

For many children, **targets** will be connected to learning and will often be specifically to do with literacy and numeracy. For other children, they may be to do with social interaction, communicating with children and adults, emotional difficulties, overcoming physical issues (for example problems to do with fine motor control) ... the list is endless! The most important point is this: **targets depend on the needs of the child.**

In addition, **all** St James' C of E Primary School pupils benefit from a range of teaching and learning styles; a differentiated curriculum; a range of differentiated learning materials (both for reinforcement and extension); assessment procedures that emphasise pupils' strengths and achievements; access to ICT; differentiated booster classes in Years 2 and 6; and a broad range of extra-curricular activities (including residential visits in Year 5 and Year 6).

St James' C of E Primary School do not offer targeted extra-curricular activities for children with Special Education Needs, but instead actively try to ensure that **all extra-curricular activities**, including our residential visits, **are adapted for children's specific needs.** This decision was reached in consultation with St James C of E Primary School pupils with Special Educational Needs and we are delighted by the number of pupils with Special Educational Needs who participate fully in school trips, residential visits, extra-curricular clubs, art endeavours, sports teams and school committees. Please see below for what we offer

Breakfast Club

Lunchtime Sports Coaching

After School Sports Coaching

Homework Club

Recorder and Guitar tuition

Lunchtime and after school activity clubs, such as Drumming and Lego Construction

Our Inclusion policy, and all related policies, set out our vision for meeting the needs of children with Special Education Needs. These can be found on the website, or copies can be obtained from the school.

For more information about our 'Local Offer' for children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities, and/or if you have any questions or queries about SEN, please contact Mrs Gore, through the school's office – 0161 224 6173.

The 'Local Offer' within Manchester City Council

For information on Manchester's Local Offer, please click http://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500132/special_educational_needs

Outside Agencies

Below we have listed some of the outside agencies that may be involved in supporting pupils with SEND at St James C of E Primary School Primary School:

Education services

One Education Specialist Teachers (SPLD – Specific Learning Difficulties), Educational Psychologist, Outreach support from Specialist Schools.

Health/social services

Speech and language therapy, Occupational therapy, Specialist consultant, General practitioner, Paediatrics, Health visitor, School nurse, Child and adolescent mental health service – CAMHS, Social services, Parents in Partnership, Physiotherapy and Podiatry.