

**Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Information Report for Children with SEND
(in response to the Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice 2015)**

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<p>Lower Site 55 Gipsy Road London SE27 9NP 020 8671 4827</p>	<p>Upper Site 188 Gipsy Road London SE27 9RD 020 8670 3576</p>	<p>Lower Site Headteacher: Gillian Roberts Deputy Headteachers: Louise Field, Lindsey Snook, Kelly Foster, Jan Shahjahan, Clare Gudgeon SENCO: Zoe Nash</p>	<p>Upper Site Headteacher: Clare Sutherland Deputy Headteachers: Emma Ross, Clare Sutherland, Amy Rogers SENCO: Amy Salter</p>
<p>Elm Wood Primary School elmwood@ghf.london</p> <p>Elm Wood Carnac Street London SE27 9RR 020 8670 1621</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery to Year 6 • Moving towards 2 form entry (to be fully completed by 2018) • Breakfast and Afterschool Club facilities <p>Headteacher: Cath Blayney Deputy Headteacher: Myrtle Charles, Graziella Williams SENCO: May Chahine</p>	
<p>Paxton Primary School paxton@ghf.london</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery to Year 6 • 1 form entry (moving towards 3 form entry to be completed by 2022) • Breakfast and Afterschool Club facilities 	

<p>Paxton Woodland Road London SE19 1PA</p> <p>020 8670 2935</p>	<p>Headteacher: Sarah Drew Deputy Headteacher: Hannah Perkins SENCO: Madeleine O’Callaghan (Acting Deputy Headteacher)</p>
<p>Crawford Primary School crawford@ghf.london</p> <p>Crawford Crawford Road London SE5 9NF</p> <p>020 7274 1046</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery to Year 6 • Moving towards 3 form entry (to be completed by 2018) • Children’s Centre (located on site) • Breakfast Club facilities <p>Headteacher: Jo Morris Deputy Headteacher: Haley Foxworthy, Vicky Harrison SENCO: Sophie Dickin, Gemma Nutall</p>
<p>Fenstanton Primary School fenstanton@ghf.london</p> <p>Fenstanton Abbots Park London SW2 3PW</p> <p>020 8674 3311</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery to Year 6 • 3 form entry • Breakfast and Afterschool Club facilities <p>Headteacher: Michelle Bennett Deputy Headteacher: Debbie Palache, Kat Dobkin, Michelle Spencer-Childs, Leroy Hoyte SENCO: Sharon Ashton, Safia Belhouchet</p>
<p>Glenbrook Primary School glenbrook@ghf.london</p> <p>Glenbrook Clarence Avenue London SW4 8LD</p> <p>020 8674 2387/1407</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery to Year 6 • 2 form entry • Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club facilities <p>Headteacher: Carmel Longley Deputy Headteacher: Rachel Stokes (acting SENCo), Jeff Muhammad, Anica Desapereira SENCO: Shirley Pearson</p>

Pan-Federation

(based at Kingswood Primary School Upper Site)

Executive Headteacher: Sir Craig Tunstall
Senior Headteachers: Susan Holt and Laleh Laverick
Head of Inclusion: Amelie Thompson

All Lambeth/Southwark maintained schools have a similar approach to meeting the needs of pupils with Special Educational Needs and are supported by the Local Authority to ensure that all pupils, regardless of their specific needs, make the best possible progress in school. All schools are supported to be as inclusive as possible, with the needs of pupils with a Special Educational Need/s and or Disabilities being met in a mainstream setting wherever possible, where families want this to happen.

The school will meet the needs of children with the following SEND (Special Educational Needs and or Disabilities):

- Communication and Interaction
- Cognition and Learning
- Social, Mental and Emotional Health
- Sensory/Physical

The information below details the offer within The Gipsy Hill Federation and ways in which parents, children and young people may access the support required.

There is a glossary of abbreviations we have used, at the end of this SEND Information Report.

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PEOPLE WHO SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS/ AND OR DISABILITIES IN THE GIPSY HILL FEDERATION:

Who are the best people to talk at The Gipsy Hill Federation about your child's difficulties with learning/ Special Educational Needs/Disability (SEND)? How can you talk to them about your child if you need to?

Class Teacher
Your child's class teacher is the first point of contact.

The Class Teacher is responsible for:

- Making sure that all children have access to outstanding teaching with a broad and balanced curriculum that is differentiated to meet your child's individual needs.
- Monitoring the progress of your child and identifying, planning and delivering any additional support your child may need.
- Creating Individual Education Plans (IEP), for children with and EHC Plan (Education, Health and Care Plan) /Statement and children with high levels of need where an EHCP might not yet be in place. These are shared with and reviewed with parents at least once each term.
- Ensuring that all members of staff working with your child are aware of your child's individual needs and/or conditions and what support best works for them in order for them to make progress. This may involve the use of additional adult, specialist support staff and individually planned work and resources.
- Ensuring they adhere to The Gipsy Hill Federation's SEND Information Report and that this is fully reflected in their teaching.

How to contact your child's class teacher: we operate an open door policy where you are able to speak to your child's class teacher when needed, although we ask that you do not engage them in lengthy conversations at the beginning of the day when they are responsible for bringing the class into school. If you would like to speak with them in depth, feel free to arrange an appropriate time to meet with them.

<p>The Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator (SENCO)</p>	<p>The SENCO is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating all the support for children with Special Educational Needs and or Disabilities (SEND), and developing The Gipsy Hill Federation’s SEND Information Report to ensure that the appropriate provision is in place in order to meet the needs of all SEND children. • Ensuring that parents/carers are fully involved in their child’s learning and decision-making regarding their SEND. • Liaising with external agencies e.g. Speech and Language Therapy, Educational Psychology etc... • Updating the school’s SEND record of need. • Providing specialist support and appropriate training for teachers and support staff. • Supporting your child’s class teacher to create Individual Education Plans (IEP) for children with an EHC Plan/Statement and children with high levels of need where an EHCP might not yet be in place. . • Identifying and collating information for Education, Health and Care Plans when needed. <p><i>How to contact your SENCO: SENCOs, wherever possible, are available on the school gate at the beginning and end of the day so that you can speak with them to arrange an appointment. Alternatively, you can speak to the class teacher to arrange for the SENCO to contact you, or telephone the school to make an appointment or speak directly to the SENCO.</i></p>
<p>Support Staff</p> <p>Teaching Assistant (TA)</p> <p>1:1 Teaching Assistant</p> <p>Special Educational Needs Practitioner (SENP)</p> <p>Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA)</p>	<p>Support Staff work along side your child’s class teacher and SENCO to support all children’s learning needs.</p> <p>A member of Support Staff may be allocated to work with a pupil with special educational needs and/or disabilities, or may provide specialist support in a particular area, for example literacy, numeracy, speech and language therapy.</p> <p>A child may receive support from a number of adults, and a conversation with the class teacher or SENCO will give you a full overview of this support. If you would like to speak to the support staff working with your child, please feel free to do so through your child’s class teacher.</p> <p>As a Federation we welcome regular dialogue between parents and all staff on how a child’s day has been and we do actively encourage this continued feedback.</p>

<p>Executive Headteacher / Headteacher</p>	<p>The Executive Headteacher / Headteacher is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The day-to-day management of all aspects of the school, this includes the support for children with SEND. The Executive Headteacher / Headteacher delegates responsibility to the SENCO and class teachers who are responsible for ensuring that your child’s needs are fully met and they receive quality first teaching so that they make the best possible progress. • The Headteacher must make sure that the Governing Body is kept up to date about all issues in the school relating to SEND. <p><i>How to contact the Executive Headteacher / Headteacher: contact can be made via the school office or by speaking directly to the Headteacher who is normally available at the start and the end of the day for an appointment.</i></p>
<p>SEND Governor</p>	<p>The SEND Governor is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making sure that the Gipsy Hill Federation has an up to date SEND Report • Making sure that the Gipsy Hill Federation has appropriate provision and has made necessary adaptations to meet the needs of all children in the Gipsy Hill Federation • Making sure that the school’s SEN funding is appropriately spent. • Making sure that the necessary support is made for any child who attends the school who has SEN and/or disabilities. • Making visits to understand and monitor the support given to children with SEND in the Gipsy Hill Federation and to ensure that every child achieves his/her potential in Gipsy Hill Federation. <p><i>How to contact the SEND Governor: write to the SEND Governor via the school office.</i></p>
<p>How children with SEND are involved in their education?</p>	
<p>Annual review/ EHC plans Children’s views are sought before the annual review and feed directly into the meeting and, therefore, their wishes influence changes to their provision and support in place. How children’s views are sought will look different from child to child and will depend on the age of the child and their ability to share their views in different formats. Children might complete a ‘thoughts and feelings’ worksheet independently or with the support of an adult; they might be asked to share their views through pictures and photos; they might be asked to reflect on a timeline and therefore project forward their wishes for the future; etc.</p> <p>Planning Teachers ensure that planning reflects the needs of their class and will annotate specific adaptations for individuals and groups onto their plans. Plans are shared with adults working within the class and, through ongoing reflection and discussions, are adapted throughout the learning journey. Teachers ask children to give feedback regularly on how well they feel they are doing or whether they feel they need</p>	

additional support in certain areas. Plans are also adapted according to this feedback.

There are a range of methods/resources that children are able to access, depending on their learning styles and needs, e.g. sound buttons, alpha smarts, free-flow within reception, options for recording etc.

In addition to their involvement across the curriculum, discrete PSCHE/Circle Time lessons are taught, where specific issues arising in individual classes are addressed. These times are also often opportunities for children to share any worries they have. Children have a chance to do this anonymously through the use of worry boxes.

Target Setting

Children know their targets for next steps in the core subjects and these are shared with them. They are actively involved in their target setting through high quality marking and opportunities to respond to marking built into the school day. Other strategies, such as verbal conferencing between the teacher and the child, are also used.

School Council

All schools within the Federation have an active school council. Class representatives are elected by the class and act as the voice of the class. They listen to their peers and regular school council meetings provide an opportunity for all children to share their views and ideas. In the past, this has had a real impact upon school life, e.g. school dinners, raising money for charities.

School Ethos

Within school, a safe environment which nurtures expression is established. Children know that they can share their thoughts and feelings with adults in school. Furthermore, many classes have worry/thought boxes, which allow children to communicate anything that may be on their minds.

Each child is treated as an individual and support is provided individual needs basis. All children and staff receive a range of bespoke training at an appropriate level in order to promote and celebrate the federation's inclusive ethos; promoting fairness and equality throughout. Everyday practice.

We have a robust and consistent approach to bullying, which makes it clear that bullying will not be tolerated. Students with SEND may be more vulnerable to bullying and harassment and so particular care is taken to ensure that they feel supported and that any incidents are dealt with promptly. For full information about how we deal with bullying, please see our behaviour policy.

B. HOW COULD MY CHILD GET HELP AT THE GIPSY HILL FEDERATION?

Children at the Gipsy Hill Federation will get support that is specific to their individual needs and to support their families. This may be provided by the class teacher or may involve:

- Additional Support Staff
- Outside Agencies (e.g. Autism Outreach Support, Speech and Language Service, Educational Psychology Service)
- Liaison with Health and Social Care and voluntary sector organisations when needed to support a child or their family

What are the different types of support available for all children, children with SEN and /or disabilities at The Gipsy Hill Federation?		
Type/level of Support -	What this looks like -	Who can receive this support -
Quality First Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The class teacher will ensure the following for all children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide Quality First Outstanding Teaching ○ Have the highest expectations for all children ○ Ensure a differentiated curriculum to meet all children's needs ○ Offer a broad and balanced Curriculum ○ Provide a range of resources and teaching strategies to support all learning needs ○ Ensure that individual strategies/resources are in place for children with specific needs ○ Provide a safe and trusted place for children to bring any concerns and worries that are then addressed according to the federation's ethos and policies ○ Ensure that reasonable adjustments are made so that all activities planned for, including trips and enrichment opportunities, are fully accessible to all 	All children in school will receive this.
Universal Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The class teacher will have carefully monitored your child's progress and if it is felt that they need some additional support in a particular area of learning, the following support could be put into place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Precision Teaching ○ Phonic Box ○ Magic Number ○ 1:1 Reading ○ Chatterbugs (language support) ○ Chatterbees (language support) ○ Chill-Out ○ Trained peer mediators/playground ambassadors/young play leaders (support 	All children in school could receive this support.

	<p>within the playground) ensure positive school ethos for all</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Playground games set up to target children with specific needs ○ ‘Keyworkers’ identified for specific children in the playground ○ Family Services ○ Maths/Literacy intervention <p>If you have any questions regarding the above support, please feel free to speak to your child’s class teacher or SENCO.</p>	
<p>Targeted Support</p> <p>Targeted Support can be for individual children or groups, and can be either in the classroom or outside of the classroom</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The class teacher will have carefully monitored your child’s progress and if it is felt that they have a specific gap in their learning and understanding, targeted support will be put into place. ➤ You will be informed immediately if your child is receiving targeted support. ➤ Your class teacher and SENCO will discuss any interventions that have been put in place to support your child’s needs with you. ➤ Interventions may include small group work or individual sessions on a specific target. <p>The Targeted Support that your child could receive is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chattercats (language support) ○ Phonics Booster ○ Sounds Write ○ Reading Recovery ○ Springboard Essentials ○ Beanstalk ○ ELS (early literacy support) ○ Numbers Count ○ 1st Class@ Number – 1 ○ 1st Class@ Number – 2 ○ Mentoring ○ Working With Men Conflict Resolution Workshop ○ Motor’s Kool/Busy Bodies (fine and gross motor skills support) ○ Sensory Diet ○ Lexia (personalised computer programme) <p>If you have any questions regarding the above support, please feel free to speak to your child’s class teacher or SENCO.</p>	<p>Any child who has specific gaps in their understanding of a subject/area of learning could receive this support.</p>

<p>Specialist Support</p> <p>Specialist Support can be for individual children or groups, and can be either in the classroom or outside of the classroom. Specialist Support can be run by school staff or outside agencies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Your child’s teacher will have carefully checked your child’s progress and may decide that your child needs specialist support for their learning. ➤ Your class teacher and SENCO will discuss with you any specialist support that your child is going to receive. ➤ These interventions will have clear targets to help your child make progress. ➤ Specialist support from outside agencies may look different depending on the individual child’s needs. E.g. this may involve a professional working 1:1 with your child or your child working within a small group. <p>The Specialist Support that your child could receive is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Spotlight on Literacy ○ Creative Arts Therapy ○ Nurture group ○ Working With Men Mentoring ○ Kennington Park Academy/Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) reintegration/behaviour support ○ Outreach Support Service ○ Occupational Therapy (NHS/SENP) ○ Speech and Language Therapy (NHS/Independent/SENP) ○ Educational Psychologist ○ Equine Therapy (horse riding) ○ Counselling ○ CAMHS worker 	<p>Any child that continues to have significant gaps in their learning and development, despite receiving interventions at a targeted level, and/or has a diagnosis and/or presents with a specific special educational need could receive this support.</p>
<p>EHCP (Education, Health and Care Plan)</p> <p>A statutory assessment for an EHCP will be initiated by the class teacher/SENCO in discussion with you, if your child is identified as needing a higher level of individual and small group support which cannot be provided from the resources already delegated to the school.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If, despite the outstanding, quality first teaching, targeted intervention, advice and specialist support from outside agencies, that the school has provided from its own resources, it is felt that your child needs further or more specialist input to make progress, the school or you can request that the Local Authority makes a statutory assessment for an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP). <p>This is a legal process and you can find full details about this in the Local Authority (LA) based Local Offer, Lambeth web site at or the Southwark Local Offer website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ This is done in full partnership with you and your child. After the school have sent in the request to the Local Authority (LA) (with a lot of information about your child, including some from you), the LA will decide whether they think your child’s needs (as described in the paperwork provided), are sufficient to need a statutory assessment. 	<p>Children whose learning needs are more severe, complex and potentially lifelong.</p>

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ If this is the case the local authority will ask you and all the professionals involved with your child to write a report, to which your child contributes, outlining your child's needs and how they should be met and the long and short term outcomes that are being sought.➤ If the Local Authority do not think your child needs this, they will ask the school to continue with the SEN Support in School and provide further support to you and the school to ensure your child's needs are met.➤ After the reports have all been sent in, an EHC Plan, to which you and your child will contribute, will be prepared. It is called an Education Health and Care Plan because it brings together all of the educational, health and social care needs that your child may have in one plan.➤ The school must make its best endeavours to put in place the support identified in the plan.➤ The progress your child makes with the support identified will be regularly reviewed and changed according to the progress your child makes. | |
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How will we support your child with identified SEND when he/she starts at school?

Admissions

- We take all applications on an individual basis.
- Each child and their needs are considered on an individual basis.
- Reasonable adjustments will be made, wherever possible, if required, e.g. disabled access.
- Careful consideration is given to the most suitable class, with consideration being given to the current cohort and the support required.
- New children arriving mid-year have identified buddies within the classroom. Contact is made with the previous school as well as visits carried out where possible to ensure comprehensive handover of information.
- For further information, please consult the admissions section of the Gipsy Hill Federation website (www.gipsyhillfederation.org.uk/our-federation/admissions-process)

Starting school

- If your child has been allocated a place in our school by the local authority and your child has a SEND, please contact the school SENCO as soon as you receive the offer of a school placement as we may not have details of your child's needs at this stage.
- We will invite you to visit the school with your child to have a look around and speak to staff and meet the members who will work with you and your child at school.
- If your child is starting in Nursery the nursery staff will carry out a home visit to discuss your child's needs.
- To help your child to settle more easily, we may suggest adaptations to the settling -in period, but this will be agreed with you and the class teacher.
- If your child has not already visited, and if appropriate, your child will be encouraged to visit the school in advance of starting to meet the staff they will be working with and their class mates.
- Following the settling in period, the class teacher may arrange an early meeting with you to review your child's learning and progress. The school operates an open door policy if you would like to meet with a member of staff.
- The staff will then hold regular meetings in school to monitor the progress of your child and invite you into school at least once a term to review this with you.

How can I let the school know I am concerned about my child's progress in school?

- If you have any concerns we recommend you speak to your child's class teacher initially.
- Further discussion can be held between yourself, your child's class teacher and the school SENCO to discuss your concerns.
- If you are not happy with support put into place for your child you can contact the Headteacher. If you are still dissatisfied after you have contacted the Headteacher, you can contact the school SEND Governor.
- For more detailed information, please visit the policies section of the Gipsy Hill federation website (www.gipsyhillfederation.org.uk)

How will the school let me know if they have any concerns about my child's learning in school?

- The class teacher will raise any concerns that they have regarding your child's progress and learning throughout the year with you.
- The teacher will discuss your child's progress with you at our termly parents' evenings when you will be informed of your child's progress and any additional support being given.
- We have regular meetings between the class teacher, SENCO and senior members of staff in the school to ensure all children are making outstanding progress. This is another way to identify if your child is not making expected progress.
- If your child is identified as not making expected progress the school will continue to closely monitor this and set up support for your child and ask for your input in identifying concerns you may have.
- If your child is still not making expected progress the school will discuss with you:
 - Any further interventions or referrals to outside professionals to support your child's learning
 - How we could work together with external agencies to support your child at home/school.

Who are the other people providing services to children with SEN in this school?

A. Directly funded by the school	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quality First Teaching• Differentiation• Precision Teaching• Phonic Box• Magic Number• 1-1 Reading• Chatterbugs (Language Support)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chatterbees (Language Support) • Chill-Out • Family Services • Maths/Literacy intervention • Chattercats (Language Support) • Phonics Booster • Sounds Write • Reading Recovery • Springboard Essentials • Beanstalk • ELS • Numbers Count • 1st Class@ Number - 1 • 1st Class@ Number - 2 • Mentoring • Working With Men Conflict Resolution Workshop • Motor's Kool/Busy Bodies • Sensory Diet • Lexia (personalised computer programme) • Spotlight on Literacy • Creative Arts Therapy • Nurture group • Working With Men Mentoring • Kennington Park Academy/Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) reintegration/behaviour support • Occupational Therapy (SENP) • Speech and Language Therapy (Independent Therapist/SENP) • Educational Psychologist • Equine Therapy (horse riding) • Counselling <p><i>If you have any questions regarding the above support, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher or SENCO.</i></p>
<p>B. Paid for centrally by the Local Authority but delivered in school</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Authority Autism Outreach Support • LIAS (Lambeth Information Advice and Support Team) and SIAS (Southwark Information Advice and Support Team) service (to support parents through the SEN processes and procedures) <p><i>If you have any questions regarding the above support, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher</i></p>

	<i>or SENCO.</i>
C. Provided and paid for by the Health Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occupational Therapy (NHS) • Speech and Language Therapy (NHS) <p><i>If you have any questions regarding the above support, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher or SENCO.</i></p>
D. Voluntary agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Autistic Society • MENCAP <p><i>If you have any questions regarding the above support, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher or SENCO.</i></p>

The contact details for the support services can be found on the school website www.gipsyhillfederation.org.uk and on the Lambeth Local Offer website www.younglambeth.org/local-offer/landing-pages/local-offer.html or the Southwark Local Offer website www.southwark.gov.uk/info/200017/children_and_families/3587/the_local_offer

The Lambeth and Southwark Local Offer Web site contains full information of the services available to children, young people and their families.

How is the effectiveness of provision made for children with SEND evaluated?

- Termly observations of all staff
- Half-termly work and planning scrutiny
- Peer observations
- Impact of provision on the attainment and progress of each individual discussed at mid-term and pupil progress meetings
- Termly assessment weeks to track progress and attainment of all pupils
- Termly pupil provision map meetings
- Informal conversations between professionals
- In-depth knowledge of children
- Interventions are monitored and evaluated for impact on pupil outcomes

How are the adults in school helped to work with children with an SEND and what training do they have?

- The SENCO's job is to support the class teacher and support staff in planning for children with SEND.
- The school has a school development plan, including identified training needs for all staff to improve the teaching and learning of children including those with SEND. This may include whole school training on SEND issues or to support identified groups of learners in school,

such as children with ASD, dyslexia etc.

- The school delivers whole staff training to disseminate knowledge, strategies and experience, to ensure consistency of the school's approach for children with a SEND.
- Individual teachers and support staff attend training courses run by the school during INSET days, and through outside agencies that are relevant to the needs of specific children in their class e.g. from the ASD Outreach service or medical /health training to support staff in implementing care plans.
- Individual training can be arranged for an identified staff member linked with the needs of a child with special educational needs and/or disabilities or identified through the school's performance management process.
- Weekly training takes place for all teachers and support staff. If you would like to hear about the training which is currently taking place or has taken place by the staff members in the school, please speak to the Headteacher or SENCO/ Deputy Headteacher.

How will the teaching be adapted for my child with SEND, including exam arrangements?

- The class teachers plan lessons according to the specific needs of all groups of children in their class, and will ensure that learning tasks are adapted to enable your child to access their learning as independently as possible.
- Specially trained support staff can implement the teachers modified/adapted planning to support the needs of your child where necessary.
- Specific resources and strategies will be used to support your child individually, in groups and in the classroom so that they can learn most effectively.
- Planning and teaching will be adapted on a daily basis if needed to meet your child's learning needs and increase your child's access to what is on offer.

Exam Arrangements

- Water provided for children
- Movement breaks
- Small group environment to support children with focus and concentration where appropriate
- Support reading the paper where appropriate

Where necessary, applications will be made for the following access arrangements:

- Additional time
- Scribes
- Dyslexic friendly paper

- Transcript
- Touch typing
- EAL provision for those new to the country within the last year and a half and registered in official language

How will we measure the progress of your child in school? And how will I know about this?

- Your child's progress is continually monitored by their class teacher.
- Your child's progress is reviewed formally every term, through assessment weeks and pupil progress meetings. Children with an EHC plan are also reviewed at termly Individual Education Plan meetings that are shared with parents. Age-related steps of attainment are given in reading, writing, maths and science in accordance with the National Curriculum, as well as progress in other areas, as appropriate, such as attendance, engagement in learning and social and emotional development.
- If your child is in Key Stage 1 or 2, but has not yet age-related expectations against the standards of the National Curriculum levels, a more sensitive assessment tool is used which shows their attainment in more detail and will also show smaller but significant steps of progress.
- At the end of each key stage (i.e. at the end of year 2 and year 6) all children are more formally assessed. The school's strategy for doing this is SATs tests.
- The progress of children with an EHC Plan is formally reviewed at an Annual Review with all adults, including parents involved with the child's education.
- There are a range of ways to keep you informed, which may include:
 - Home/school learning diary
 - Home/school contact book
 - Letters/certificates sent home
 - Additional meetings as required
 - Annual Reviews

- End of Year Reports

What support do we have for you as a parent of a child with an SEN/and or disabilities?

- We would like you to talk to your child's class teacher regularly so we know what your child is doing at home and we can tell you about what we are doing in school. This is to ensure that we are doing similar things to support them both at home and school and can share what is working in both places.
- The SENCO is available to meet with you to discuss your child's progress or any concerns/worries you may have.
- All information from outside professionals will be discussed with you by the person involved directly, or where this is not possible, in a report. The SENCO will also arrange to meet with you to discuss any new assessments and ideas suggested by outside agencies for your child.
- If your child has an EHC Plan, their IEP will be reviewed with your involvement each term.
- Home Learning will be adjusted as needed to your child's individual needs.
- A home/school contact book may be used to support communication with you, when this has been agreed to be useful for you and your child.

In addition:

- We regularly hold workshops for parents of all children in the school, for example in relation to reading, phonics or maths. We will be happy to discuss any necessary adaptations for your child.
- The external professionals involved with your child will be happy to meet with you on request.
- We will be happy to consider any ideas that you may have to further support your child.
- We run inclusion drop-in sessions at every parents' evening for you to come and see the staff who are involved in the many interventions that we provide.
- We work closely with the Family Services team to further support children and families. This may include supportive liaison with Health and Social Care and voluntary sector organisations.

If your child is undergoing statutory assessment for an EHC Plan, you will also be supported by the Children's Services SEN Team. They will ensure that you fully understand the process.

How have we made this school physically accessible to children with SEND?

- Where possible our schools are accessible to children with physical disability via ramps and a lift.
- Class allocations can be adapted to ensure rooms are accessible for children with disabilities.
- Where possible our schools have designated calm/sensory spaces for children to access.
- We ensure that equipment used is accessible to all children regardless of their needs.
- Where appropriate staff will be trained to support your child's needs.
- For details and queries about plans, please speak with your school's SENCO.
- For further information and guidance, please see the Accessibility Plan on the Federation website (www.gipsyhillfederation.org.uk/our-federation/policies).

How will we support your child when they are leaving this school? OR when moving on to another class?

We recognise that 'moving on' ('transition') can be difficult for a child with SEND and take steps to ensure that any transition is as smooth as possible.

- If your child is moving to another school:
 - We will talk with your child to identify how they are feeling about the move and discuss with them how to make it as positive an experience as possible.
 - We will contact the new school's SENCO and ensure s/he knows about any special arrangements or support that needs to be made for your child.
 - Where possible we will support a visit to the new school in advance of the move.
 - We will make sure that all records about your child are passed on as soon as possible.
 - Where appropriate, your child may be provided with a transition book to support them with the move to a new school.
- When moving classes in school:
 - You will be informed of your child's new teacher prior to the move and you will be invited to meet with them.
 - Information will be passed on to the new class teacher in advance and any IEPs will be shared with the new teacher.
 - Where appropriate, your child may be provided with a transition book to support them with the move to a new class.
- In Year 6:
 - Our SENCO arranges meetings (telephone or face to face) with new schools to discuss the specific needs of your child with the SENCO of their secondary school.
 - Your child will take part in circle times in school, to support their understanding of the changes ahead. This may include creating a 'Personal Passport' which includes information about themselves for their new school.
 - We work in partnerships with secondary schools and parents to ensure that where possible all children will visit their new school.
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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

General School Abbreviations

TA – Teaching Assistant

HLTA – Higher Level Teaching Assistant

SENP – Special Educational Needs Practitioner

Special Educational Needs Abbreviations

SEND - Special Educational Need and Disabilities (previously SEN)

IEP – Individual Education Plan

EHC Support Plan – Education, Health and Care Support Plan

EHC – Education, Health and Care Plan (previously Statement)

CAF – Common Assessment Framework

SEM – Social Emotional and Mental Needs (previously EBD – Emotional Behavioural Difficulties)

ASD – Autistic Spectrum Disorder

SLCNs – Speech Language and Communication Needs

ADHD – Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder

ADD - Attention Deficit Disorder

ODD – Oppositional Defiance Disorder

S< – Speech and Language Therapy/Therapist

OT – Occupational Therapy/Therapist

EP – Educational Psychologist

CAMHS – Child and Adolescence Mental Health Services

CACS – Child and Adolescence Community Service

MSC – Mary Sheridan Centre

Family Services Abbreviations

CP – Child Protection

CIN – Child in Need

LAC – Looked After Child

SGO – Special Guardianship Order

PEP – Pupil Education Plan

CAIT – Child Abuse Investigation Team

SW – Social Worker

MDT - Multi Disciplinary Team

TAC - Team Around the Child

CYPS - Children and Young Peoples Services

R&A - Referral and Assessment

FSCPO - Family Support and Child Protection Officer

LIAS/SIAS – Lambeth/Southwark Information Advice Support Team