Special Educational Needs

*“Every child is a different kind of flower that altogether makes this world a beautiful garden”*

Children are at the heart of every decision, choice and action made at Lady K. Our aim is for every child to feel safe, have a sense of belonging, and learn about their own unique differences as well as those of others. As a school, we aim to remove all barriers to learning and support each and every child on their journey to achieving their potential. As a school, we take all steps needed to identify and meet the needs of all children including those with a special educational need making reasonable adjustments inline with our local offer and services provided by local authorities as set out in the SEND code of practice (DFE, January 2015).

 *Areas of SEND*

The needs of a child with SEND will fall under one or more of these four areas, as outlined in the SEND Code of Practice:

* Communication and Interaction
* Cognition and Learning
* Social, Emotional and Mental Health difficulties
* Sensory and/or Physical needs

*What does it mean if my child has SEND?*

If your child is identified as possibly having a special educational need, you will be informed by either our SENDCo – Mrs Williams or your child’s class teacher. With your consent, your child will be added to our school **SEND register** as ‘SEN Support’. An **Individual Education Plan (IEP)** will be created for your child, outlining SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound) targets relating to their personal area/s of need. These will be reviewed during IEP meetings every term by your child’s class teacher and shared with you.

*Support from Specialist Services*

At Lady Katherine Leveson C of E Primary School, we work closely with external professionals in order to meet the needs of all children. We currently work in partnership with teams from Solihull Specialist Inclusion Support Service (SISS).

* Communication & Language Difficulties Team (CLD)
* Social, Emotional and Mental Health Team (SEMH)
* Disability Team
* Autistic Spectrum Disorder Team (ASD)
* Early Years Under 6 Team, which supports children in Nursery and Reception.
* Physical Impairment Team

We have regular visits from our linked teachers in the ASD team and we plan together the best use of the allocated time. The ASD Team only support with children who have a diagnosis of ASD or who are on the waiting list for assessment. We are also able to purchase support from the CLD and SEMH Team as and when required.

Other professionals who are involved to meet the needs of our SEND children as appropriate include:

* Speech therapists
* Occupational Therapists
* Educational Psychologists
* Physiotherapists
* Occupation Health Therapists
* School Nurses
* Health Visitors

Please find Solihull’s Local Offer here - <https://www.solihull.gov.uk/children-and-family-support/localoffer>

*Our Curriculum Offer*

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