



## Rode Heath Primary School

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### Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Annual Report January 2024

As part of their statutory duties, Governing Boards must publish information about and report on, the schools Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) policy.

The Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo) is Miss Hayley Scott and the named governor for SEND is Mrs Lisa Asprey.

#### Number of Children with SEND (2022-23)

- 213 children on roll (229 including pre-school)
- 14 children on SEND Register
- 10 children are on SEND Support
- 4 children have an EHCP - Complex
- 10 children on First Concerns Register

#### Number of Children with SEND (2023-24)

- 214 children on roll (250 including pre-school)
- 20 children on SEND Register
- 15 children are on SEND Support
- 5 children have an EHCP - Complex (1 further needs assessment has been sent off)
- 10 children on First Concerns Register

#### SEND Policy

The school's SEND policy was written in June 2022 in line with the Code of Practice (2014). It was agreed by the governing board in July 2022 and is due to be reviewed in June 2025 (or sooner if necessary).



## SEND Toolkit

The SEND Toolkit was launched by Cheshire East in Autumn 2017. The resources are in place and being used in school. There are four categories of support: First Concerns, SEN Support, Complex and Specialist. If a child is at First Concerns they are not on the SEND register, but they have a first concerns profile to help to monitor their progress and identify their needs. All relevant paperwork can be found at <https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/local-offer-for-children-with-sen-and-disabilities/education/supporting-send-in-education/send-toolkit.aspx> or via the links from the school website. The SEND toolkit has been relaunched this month (January 2024) and a staff meeting is planned to share the changes with teaching staff.

## External Agencies

Most of our support from external agencies has been received via online 'Teams' meetings or via telephone calls. This term, Cheshire East have started to return to some face to face meetings and NHS clinicians have been returning to school visits.

The following external agencies have supported pupils with SEND throughout the year:

- Educational Psychologist (EP)
- Speech and Language Therapists
- Cheshire East Autism Team (CEAT)
- Sensory Inclusion Service
- School Nurse
- Community Paediatrics
- Early Years SEND Team
- Emotionally Healthy Schools
- Virtual Schools

## Progress of Pupils with SEND

All of the children who are on our SEND register have a SEND Support Plan (SSP) or EHCP Implementation Plan. They currently receive support that is different from and additional to their cohort, in order to meet their individual needs.

Parents are invited to attend termly progress meetings where they are able to contribute to and review their child's individual targets. Progress against these targets is discussed and recorded and new personalised targets are set.

This year we have continued to track progress using teacher class-based assessments, Renaissance Star Reading tests (for KS2), Benchmarking (For KS1 and children not able to access Renaissance), NFER tests (looking at standardised scores) and phonics assessments (for



KS1 and KS2 if necessary). We have purchased the Dyslexia Profile to begin to support some children with additional English needs and have used YARC as an assessment to look further into reading ability and comprehension.

### **Interventions Used**

A range of intervention programmes are used in school when necessary. These are listed below:

- Nessy
- Friendship Terrace / Nurture
- Education City Pathways
- Bespoke High Frequency Words/Phonics Support
- Read 2 Write
- RM Maths
- Cool Connections
- Extra Reading Sessions
- Beat Dyslexia

### **Deployment of Staff and Resources**

Teachers and teaching assistants work with individual pupils or small groups of pupils, following a variety of support interventions. Not all of the pupils receiving interventions are on the SEND register but they have been identified as needing additional support in specific areas. Where possible we aim to support children within the classroom.

Miss Scott and Mr Frankland regularly discuss provision with the class teachers and teaching assistants. All classes have a provision map, which shows the level of support that the children are receiving. Children who have an EHCP have a costed provision map.

We are pleased to see the return of our volunteers this year and currently have two volunteers who regularly come and read with our children.

### **Working with Parents**

Rode Heath Primary School operates an open door policy and any initial concerns can be discussed with class teachers.

Miss Scott does not have a class responsibility on a Wednesday and is available to talk with parents when necessary. Parents often contact Miss Scott via email if they have any questions or concerns.

### **Links to other Schools**

Miss Scott has established strong links with a number of professionals at our cluster primary schools. She attends regular meetings to discuss current provision and moderates SEND



practice frequently. Miss Scott has also started to attend the Sandbach cluster meetings and is developing further links with the SENCOs from the local Sandbach schools.



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