

#### CARCLAZE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL SEND REPORT

Carclaze School prides itself on providing an inclusive environment for all pupils, including those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Every child at Carclaze has the opportunity to follow all subjects in the primary curriculum and access all areas in the early years foundation stage, the planning and delivery of which is differentiated by our talented teaching team.

The Novel study approach is used to enrich children's literacy experience through the magic of stories. All our children can enjoy and participate in a broad and exciting curriculum with additional extra-curricular activities such as educational visits, residential trips, and after-school clubs available to engage their interest and develop pupils' social, academic and physical skills.

Carclaze School celebrates the diversity and individuality of all its children. Where our children may need additional support to overcome specific barriers to learning, Carclaze School employs a number of specialist staff with SEN training. Within this body of staff is a Speech and Language trained TA, a trained Autism Champion, a qualified counsellor, and a Learning Mentor.

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## The levels of support and provision offered by our school

## 1. Listening to and responding to children and young people

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<ul> <li>The views of all children are listened to and valued.</li> <li>Children's opinions are voiced to the school through:</li> <li>Pupil interviews</li> <li>School Council</li> <li>Questionnaires</li> <li>The teachers and Head Teacher are always available to listen to and value pupils' experiences and views.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pupils with SEND are included in all consultation groups.</li> <li>Additional provision is developed in light of pupil voice.</li> <li>Staff are skilled in listening to and supporting children in their sharing of their ideas and opinions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Individual support is responsive to the needs and views of the pupil.</li> <li>Pupil's views are an integral part of TAC meetings, SEN reviews and the development of EHC Plans.</li> <li>Pupils play a central part in reviewing Next Steps (Individual Education Plans).</li> <li>Documentation is presented in a format that is accessible to the pupil</li> <li>The children have opportunities to meet and talk with the SENDCo.</li> </ul>

## 2. Partnership with parents and carers

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- We work in partnership with all parents and carers.
- Parents are kept informed of events and work undertaken via the school newsletter and website.
- The parents/carers of all pupils are invited to attend parent/carer consultations termly for children who have special educational needs.
- Our school encourages open dialogue between families/parents and teachers are available at the start and end of the school day.
- Parents/carers are encouraged to contact class teachers initially with any concerns.
- Parents are able to contact school with concerns at any time.
- The website enables parents/carers to understand more about what their young person is learning.
- Parents are encouraged to engage in one- to-one reading and comprehension skills at home with their child.
- Written reports are sent home once a vear.
- The SENCo, Sandra Gynn, is always available to meet with parents.
- Parents are encouraged to share their expertise and experiences and volunteer in school for example, helping with cookery, art projects or hearing readers.
- Project outcomes are shared with parents termly.

- Parents are informed if their child is placed on the Record of Need (RON) and as a result is receiving additional support.
- Parent workshops are offered to parents and carers regarding supporting their young person at home e.g. literacy and numeracy skills, behaviour management strategies.
- The 'Friends' of Carclaze work with the school's leadership to support the school and welcomes new members.

- Support is available to discuss and explain paperwork.
- Termly progress meetings are held with parents to discuss their child's learning needs.
- Parents and carers are supported in attending, and are actively involved in all TAC meetings and reviews.
- Parents' and carers' views are an integral part of TAC and SEN review meetings.
- All documentation is presented in a format and language that is accessible to individual parents.
- Options are signposted and parents supported to access additional support, if specialist advice and support is needed, either at home or at school.
- Home school communication books are provided for children when this is helpful.
- Professional Advocacy for Parents if required through the parents for parent SENDIASS service.

### 3. The curriculum

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<ul> <li>The curriculum is designed to ensure the inclusion of all students.</li> <li>Progress of all students is measured on a regular basis and summative assessments are monitored through pupil progress meetings every term.</li> <li>All students, regardless of their ability, have full access to the curriculum.</li> <li>Assessments (including dyslexia screening tests) are used to identify pupils who need specific interventions.</li> <li>Our curriculum caters for all learning styles and we include outdoor learning as much as possible for meaningful learning in the natural environment to engage the children and enrich the curriculum.</li> <li>All students are encouraged to develop independence in overcoming learning challenges such as using the 5 Bs (Brain, Board, Book, Buddy, Boss) and accessing resources such as phonic mats and Numicon.</li> <li>Extra-curricular activities are actively encouraged and reasonable adjustments made to allow children to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Interventions are specifically targeted to meet individual needs and to enable children to fulfil their potential.</li> <li>The progress of students taking part in intervention groups is measured on a regular basis.</li> <li>The intervention packages are adapted in light of pupil progress.</li> <li>Small group interventions can include: Literacy – Read Write Inc., reading, comprehension, spelling, writing etc. Handwriting, Maths, Speech and Language, Social skills, Anger Management Skills and Fine motor skills and Gross motor skills.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pupils are supported in following their interests regardless of any special educational need and/or disabilities. For example, a pupil with a physical impairment is given the support they need to access sports clubs.</li> <li>Pupils with special needs and/or disabilities can access the curriculum with adult support as appropriate.</li> <li>An individualised curriculum is planned for some pupils in some areas of the curriculum based on their specific needs.</li> <li>A few children with multiple and complex needs may access 1:1 support.</li> <li>If additional advice and strategies are needed to support a pupil the SENCo in agreement with parents/carers will work with outside agencies and teachers to ensure pupils' have every opportunity to fulfil their potential to achieve and be happy at school.</li> <li>Adjustments are made in order to enable children to access assessment arrangements such as SATS these may include coloured backgrounds on</li> </ul>

- attend and participate in any out of school activities
- Teachers and support staff work with all groups of children to ensure learning is appropriately supported, consolidated and deepened.

paper, increased font sizes, movement breaks, access to a key board or scribe, access to a reader or additional time

#### 4. Teaching and learning

#### Whole school approaches Additional, targeted support and provision Specialist, individualised support and The universal offer to all children. provision Lessons are carefully planned to cater Class teachers, teaching assistants • There are regular Next Step (IEP) for different learning styles. and the SENCO share information to reviews and meetings with parents. Depending on the activity, pupils may ensure that pupils with SEND have · Next Steps (IEPs) are reviewed and work independently, in ability groups or targeted support and provision. targets and provision updated in mixed ability groups. Children may Teaching assistants/ teachers work regularly. have 1:1 or small group support at with small groups to: Multi-agency meetings are used to - ensure understanding times. review areas of difficulty and levels of Children are engaged in taking - facilitate learning responsibility for learning through - foster independence support. selecting their work and choosing - keep pupils on task Individualised learning intervention where to work. Teachers and Teaching assistants programmes are used to ensure Learning objectives are shared. support all ability levels within the progression against personalised displayed and discussed at the start of class across the week. targets. Pre-teaching of vocabulary may be every lesson. Daily contact with parents if helpful. . Success criteria are used and may be used to support understanding or One-to-one support is in place for speech and language skills. differentiated at times. pupils who need more intensive Literacy is taught through a multi-Independent learning is supported by support. sensory story telling approach. the use of technology. For example; Laptops and iPads.

- Shared reading/writing and modelled writing are used to support learning. Good work may be used to explore and exemplify good practise.
- Pupils' work is regularly marked with next steps identified according to the school marking policy.
- Working walls are used to display key vocabulary and key terms to support learning.
- Pupils have opportunities to record their learning in a range of ways.
- There is regular assessment of pupils' progress and attainment using Progression level data (P levels) and age related expectations.
- Data is used to track progress and identify pupils and groups who will benefit from additional support or intervention.
- There is regular contact with parents through home/school book/telephone contact/meetings/ open door policy.
- Whole school rewards/ behaviour policy is consistently implemented to support positive learning behaviours.
- Visual timetables are used in all rooms.
- ICT is used to enhance learning in all curriculum areas.
- All children are encouraged to adopt a positive attitude to learning and independently access the resources they need to complete their work.

 Groups/individuals may be identified for additional booster sessions based on the progress of morning learning.

- Resources such as fidget toys, sloped desks or pencil grips are available to enable pupils to access learning successfully.
- Outreach from special schools is requested for advice and teaching and learning if needed.
- Specialist support and advice is available from external agencies such as:
- ✓ Educational Psychologists
- √ Physiotherapists
- ✓ Occupational Therapists
- ✓ Autistic Spectrum Support Team.
- ✓ Dyslexia Advisory Service
- ✓ Visual and Auditory Specialist.
- ✓ Early Support Team
- ✓ CAMHS
- Special examination arrangements are made for internal and external tests (readers, scribes etc.)

## 5. Self-help skills and independence

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<ul> <li>Children are taught throughout the school to take responsibility for entering into class, putting away their reading folders and coats, changing independently for PE, taking care of possessions, being caring towards others and to take care of their environment.</li> <li>Classrooms are accessible and resources are clearly labelled and available.</li> <li>Children are taught and encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning through strategies like the 5 Bs (Brain, board, book, buddy boss)</li> <li>Adults model expectations and appropriate interaction to support learning of social skills.</li> <li>Whole school rewards and behaviour policy support good behaviour for learning.</li> <li>All children are given opportunities to work independently.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Phonics Mats, Tricky word Mats Number Squares, Number ladders are accessible to support learning.</li> <li>Pupils have access to: visual timetables, task cards, prompt cards etc.</li> <li>Adults model play and supervise at play at unstructured times.</li> <li>Social Stories are used if needed to support understanding</li> <li>Social skills groups.</li> <li>Anger management groups</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Personalised task boards and timetables are in place to support independence.</li> <li>Teaching assistants working 1:1 with pupils aim to develop pupil independence.</li> <li>Intimate care plans following advice from professionals aiming towards independence.</li> <li>Appropriate equipment is available to enable all pupils to access learning and communicate as independently as possible.</li> <li>Reasonable adjustments are made to ensure trips and visits to ensure all pupils can access these experiences.</li> <li>Specialist services provide advice and support regarding overcoming the barriers raised by physical disabilities. Pupils have personalised equipment to help them to learn such as sensory seat pads, coloured overlays</li> <li>Pupils can if needed access the school counsellor and learning mentor.</li> </ul>

There are consistent routines and Play therapy, Draw and talk therapy and circle of friends are available if behaviour expectations. Pupils are involved in self –assessment needed of learning. There is a school buddy system. Regular PSHE lessons and teaching in response to events and school assemblies support the children's social and moral development. Intimate care plans (targets working towards independence) ensure children with additional physical needs are appropriately cared for. Medical protocols ensure safe procedures. • Children are given responsibilities within class and school to develop their engagement with the school community and independence. An emotions coaching approach to

#### 6. Health, wellbeing and emotional support

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- All staff receive regular safeguarding training and procedures and policies followed
- There is a Positive learning environment with excellent staff role models.
- PSHE lessons focus on developing confidence and self-esteem.
- Pupil issues are dealt with as they arise.
- Incidents of adverse behaviour are recorded on behaviour incident forms which are analysed and support given where necessary.
- A number of staff are trained in first aid to ensure the safety of students.
- After school clubs are available for KS1 and KS2.
- PE co-ordinator, Penrice specialist PE teachers deliver PE throughout the school.
- Healthy Schools Co-ordinator.
- Swimming lessons are provided for all year groups.
- Risk assessments are undertaken for activities and trips involving pupils.
- A TIS approach to issues teaches pupils' emotional literacy and how to respond to problems.
- The school works cooperatively with a range of medical professionals such as Epilepsy Nurse, school nursing service, physical disabilities officer to ensure that physical and medical needs are appropriately met.

- Increased time is allocated to emotional development and understanding.
- Specific medical routines and programmes fully implemented seamlessly throughout school day.
- Social stories used to develop understanding when helpful
- Parent liaison.
- Draw and talk and play therapy interventions.
- Anger management groups to develop understanding of how to regulate emotions.

- The Headteacher, SENCo, a class teacher and a TA are trained TIS practitioners.
- Risk assessments are completed in instances of challenging behaviour.
- Children who find the school environment challenging will have individual behaviour plans and safe handling plans in place.
- Increased joint working between parents, school and multi-agencies.
- Individual health protocols and programmes drawn up.
- TACs, Early support meetings and reviews are supported by a range of agencies including the school nurse
- Additional support for pupils can be requested from a range of external agencies.
- Pupils with specific medical conditions have individual health care plans
- Adults supporting children with specific needs will access additional training in order for those needs to be safely met.
- Support signposted to parents and parents helped to access outside agencies if this is helpful.
- Some children may have resources which help reduce their anxiety and worry levels.
- As needed additional support is requested from:
  - CAMHs (Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service)

	<ul> <li>Social Care</li> <li>Dreadnought</li> <li>Penhaligon's         Friends</li> <li>Community         Nurses</li> <li>School Nurses</li> <li>CLEAR</li> </ul>

# 7. Social interaction opportunities

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<ul> <li>All pupils have opportunities for social interaction regardless of need.</li> <li>All pupils are part of a class with named class teacher/s</li> <li>All pupils are invited on trips and visits.</li> <li>Opportunities to access residential trips.</li> <li>Opportunities to represent the school at outside events involving sport and music,</li> <li>All pupils have opportunities to attend a range of extra-curricular clubs.</li> <li>Adults leading play during lunch times</li> <li>Our school council represent the children in meetings and are involved in meeting and greeting visitors. All children are given the opportunity to run for school council.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Buddies for vulnerable pupils.</li> <li>Social stories and social skills groups</li> <li>Motional programmes and interventions</li> <li>Social skills group</li> <li>Lunch time nurture group run by the on site councillor.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social stories are used to support individual pupils</li> <li>Motional programmes and interventions</li> <li>Sporting events such as Sportability provide opportunities for social interactions.</li> <li>TA's working with individual students support development of social skills and may deliver specific programmes such as Time for Talk, Do You Have A Volcano in your Tummy?</li> </ul>

8. The physical environment (accessibility, safety and positive learning environment).

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<ul> <li>Accessibility plan in place and is revised regularly.</li> <li>All areas of the school are accessible to everyone including those pupils with SEND.</li> <li>There is wheel chair accessibility to classrooms.</li> <li>There is a disabled toilet on site.</li> <li>There is a lift.</li> <li>Pupils feel safe and in an environment where bullying is not tolerated.</li> <li>There is a named Safe Guarding Lead: Simon Pollard and deputy lead Amanda Colwill and a named Child in Care person.</li> <li>All areas of the school are positive and all classrooms support learning.</li> <li>Teachers focus on rewarding desired behaviours to promote a positive environment.</li> <li>The rewards and sanctions system is consistent and robust and it is displayed in each classroom across school.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Quiet activities available to all children at break times.</li> <li>Key staff are team teach trained to confidently diffuse challenging behaviour in a calm, positive manner.</li> <li>Sloping desk stands are available for table tops.</li> <li>Various sensory resources available such as fidget toys and coloured reading rulers.</li> <li>Quiet areas in class rooms are provided when needed.</li> <li>motor skills programmes and Fun-fit programmes</li> <li>small group areas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Vulnerable children have calming and re-energising breaks planned.</li> <li>Resources are made available support learning and inspire confidence.</li> <li>Specialist communication aids</li> <li>Specialist equipment e.g. peanut ball</li> <li>A lift provides access to all levels</li> <li>There is a disabled changing area/toilet.</li> <li>Where necessary, individualised transition programmes are put in place.</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>There are stimulating external play areas</li> </ul>	
which reduce unwanted behaviours.	
Children are taught how to keep	
themselves safe in a range of situations	
from handling fireworks to online safety.	
The individuality and uniqueness of all	
children is celebrated and recognised	
through reward assemblies and displays.	
<ul> <li>Cyclewise</li> </ul>	
Swimming	
First Aiders	
<ul> <li>Interactive displays</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Appropriately sized tables, chairs and</li> </ul>	
furniture for each class to give full access	
for pupils.	
<ul> <li>Range of furniture for children to sit on/</li> </ul>	
work on to meet their sensory needs	
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## 9. Transition from year to year and setting to setting

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We have strong links with a range of pre- school-settings which are all visited before transition. The nursery children visit school regularly in the summer term before they start.	<ul> <li>Additional visits are arranged for pupils who are particularly vulnerable at transition within school and with external transition.</li> <li>Additional arrangements e.g. transition booklets.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SENCO attends all annual Statement/EHC Plan reviews and supports smooth transitions between year groups.</li> <li>SENCO meets children, parents and key workers prior to transition days.</li> </ul>

- School staff visit our feeder nurseries and preschools to observe children and discuss their needs
- Reception staff offer home visits during the summer term before reception children join us.
- We have a meeting for new reception parents during the summer term. The children join us in the classroom for the morning and parents and children then stay for lunch.
- We have particularly close links with Penrice our designated feeder school. Penrice PE specialists deliver PE across the school and children have the opportunity to visit Penrice to use their sports facilities.
- We liaise with Penrice throughout the year and children in KS2 visit for a variety of sessions across the curriculum.
- Secondary staff attend statement/EHC plan annual reviews during the autumn term. They visit pupils and staff early in the summer term to aid transition.
- Pupils in year 6 attend their secondary school for transition activities and days.
- Transition opportunities are provided in the summer term for children in the school to move to their new class and meet their new teacher.
- All staff complete transition forms for every child at the end of the year. We timetable meetings at the end of the summer term for staff to meet to discuss transition information.

- Transition meetings for TA / support staff handover
- Transition time for pupils with new TA's
- SENCO observes children in previous educational establishments prior to transition.
- Individual transition visits with support staff.
- Meetings with parents and colleagues from other settings.
- SENCO meets with the Secondary SENCO prior to transition.

All children meet their new teacher and class Teaching Assistant in their new classroom before the end of term.

### The SEND qualifications of and SEND training attended by our staff

To enable all children to have access to the curriculum, information and guidance, physical environment, school and wider community.	To enable targeted support and provision	To enable specialist, individualised support and provision
The SENDCo holds The National SENDCo Award and is a qualified Trauma Informed Schools Practitioner.  Provision meetings between SENDCo and individual class teachers regularly to ensure appropriate provision.  Staff INSET days planned throughout the year.  CPD available for all staff.  Whole school TISUK training	TA meetings held fortnightly Supervision offered to all staff Staff trained in specific skills and interventions: Autism champion training Dyslexia champion training Speech & language support on site	<ul> <li>SALT TA's attended Elklan Speech and language training</li> <li>Level 2 Introduction to counselling concepts</li> <li>Makaton training</li> <li>Penhaligon's friends training</li> <li>Suicide / Traumatic bereavement training</li> <li>AQA Level 4 Diploma in therapeutic counselling</li> <li>Applied Suicide Intervention Skills training</li> <li>Foundation to Drawing and Talking therapy</li> <li>Understanding self-harm</li> <li>Building Emotional resilience in young people.</li> <li>Supporting children with complex communication needs</li> <li>Manual Handling Training</li> </ul>

## Services and organisations that we work with:

Service/organisation	What they do in brief	Contact details
Speech and Language (SALT)	Referrals can be made through school to the speech and language therapist. This may lead to further assessment and support program to be delivered at school and at home. A few children will have direct support from a speech and language Therapist,	The NHS Speech and Language Therapist assigned to Carclaze School for 2018/19 is Laura Ward.  https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs file/information-advice-and-support/council-services/communication-support-specialist-speech-and-language-therapists/

Educational Psychologist	The Educational Psychologist works closely with the SENDCo covering a range of work such as observing children, supporting staff in school working with specific children and delivering training. Children have to be referred to the Educational Psychologist and this would only be after a period of intervention has taken place in school and at home	Referrals can only be made through school, however there is a telephone advice line (01872 322888) that is open on Wednesdays between 2:00 and 5:00 pm.  The educational Psychologist assigned to Carclaze School for 2019/20 is Joe Brook <a href="https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-file/information-advice-and-support/council-services/childrens-psychology/">https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-file/information-advice-and-support/council-services/childrens-psychology-service/educational-psychology/</a>
CAMHS	Offer support to children to have complex mental health needs. A referral will have to be done by home, school or the school nurse.	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social- care/childrens-services/cornwall-and-isles-of-scilly- safeguarding-children-partnership/safeguarding- topics/mental-health/
School Nurse	The school nurse can help with a wide variety of issues such as eating, behaviour, bedwetting and sleep.	The Early Help Hub: <a href="https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/cornwall-childrens-trust/working-together/early-help/">https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/cornwall-childrens-trust/working-together/early-help/</a>
Autistic Spectrum Team	Support children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder and only work with children who have an official diagnosis.	The ASD advisor assigned to Carclaze School for 2018/19 is Katie Frampton.  https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-file/information-advice-and-support/council-services/childrens-psychology-service/the-autism-spectrum-team/
Cognition & Learning Advisory Service (Dyslexia Support).	Provides support and advice for children who have specific difficulties with reading and writing and who	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and- learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-

	need support which is additional and different to that which is readily available in school.	file/information-advice-and-support/council-services/cognition-and-learning-service/
Early Support Team	Provide coordinating support for children who have multiple areas of physical and educational need.	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and- learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs- file/information-advice-and-support/council- services/early-support/
Hearing Support Services	Support children with hearing difficulties.	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and- learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs- file/information-advice-and-support/council- services/hearing-support-team/
Vision Support Service	Support children with visual difficulties.	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and- learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs- file/information-advice-and-support/council- services/vision-support-team/
Occupational Therapist	Occupational Therapy (OT) aims to support children and young people in getting the most from their lives and achieving their potential.  The OT will assess your child's functional and sensory needs and will work with you and your family to enable your child to become as independent as possible. This is likely to include activities designed to increase range of movement, coordination and sensory awareness. The OT will give	Tel 01209 213927  https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/children-and-young-people-with-disabilities/occupational-therapy-service/

	advice on personal care, play, schoolwork, and leisure activities. Specialist equipment to promote function and learning may be provided to help your child at school or home. This may include specialist seating, slanted writing boards, specialist cutlery or writing implements.	
Penhaligon's Friends	Are a Cornish charity supporting bereaved children, young people, parents and carers throughout the County. They offer children and young people the chance to meet others and share their experiences, as well as practical resources for children and parents.  We have worked with Penhaligon's Friends several times over the last few years and our Learning Mentor has attended several training sessions with them to help us support the children in our school who have suffered bereavements.	Tel: 01209 210624  http://www.penhaligonsfriends.org.uk
SEN Assessment and Provision Team	Carry out assessment for statements and EHCP, and review and monitor implementation.	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-file/information-advice-and-support/council-services/statutory-special-educational-needs-service/
Physical and Medical Needs Advisory Lead	Works closely within the Council's Special Educational Needs (SEN) support teams and key NHS therapy teams to ensure all students with	https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and- learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-

physical disabilities and medical	file/information-advice-and-support/council-
needs have maximum access to the	services/physical-and-medical-needs-advisory-service/
school curriculum	

#### **Answers to Frequently asked Questions**

#### 1 How does your school know if children/young people need extra help?

The school has an Identification pathway and data and knowledge of the child is used to identify when a child may need additional or different support and provision in order to achieve their potential. All staff work closely with parents and parents are informed and consulted when we begin to have concerns about a child's behaviour or levels of achievement. The Head Teacher and SENCo work closely with teachers and monitor pupil progress regularly. The SENCO regularly discusses the children's progress with teachers and closely monitors any children whose learning or behaviours may be beginning to raise concerns.

#### 2. What should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs?

Make contact with the class teacher and/or the SENCO and share your concerns. We are keen to hear your views and ensure that we are doing everything possible to help your child succeed.

#### 3. Who is responsible for the progress and success of my child in school?

The class teacher is responsible for the progress and success of all the children in their class, supported by the Senior Leadership Team which includes the SENCO.

#### 4. How will the curriculum be matched to my child's needs?

This will depend on the individual needs of your child. The curriculum may be differentiated, a variety of ways of recording work and understanding may be used, extra support or intervention may be provided or additional resources may be used. There are times when children may need to work in an intervention group or, where needs are greater, a higher level of adult support may be provided.

#### 5. How will school staff support my child?

The staff of Carclaze School will get to know your child as an individual and will support your child by using the most effective strategies to overcome their barriers to learning. This could involve using pre learning, and breaking instructions down into smaller steps, or revisiting learning to support memory difficulties. The provision put in place will be tailored to the needs of the child based on class observations, discussions with the class teacher and teaching assistants as well as parents who of course know the child best.

#### 6. How will I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?

There are termly meetings between class teachers and parents and an end of year report. If your child has additional needs they will have an IEP with specific targets. These will be reviewed and new ones set these in a termly meeting with the class teacher. Carclaze School has an open door policy and staff are happy to meet with parents on request to provide updates and feedback or to respond to questions.

#### 7. What support will there be for my child's overall wellbeing?

Carclaze School takes the wellbeing of its pupils very seriously and work closely with parents to ensure this. Staff form strong relationships with pupils which provides a strong supportive network which enables pupils to voice concerns. There is a strong focus on teaching children emotional literacy and how to manage and respond to feelings. The TIS approach supports all aspects of good mental health in children recognising that a child needs to feel safe and happy. There are 4 trained TIS practitioners at Carclaze and the whole staff have received training in the approach. We also have an on-site councellor who works with children across the school.

#### 8. How do I know that my child is safe in school?

All adults working with children are CRB cleared (background checked) and have Safeguarding training. There are up to date policies on all areas related to health and safety in school and these are available on the school website or on request. There is a Designated Safeguarding Lead and a Deputy DSL in school. There are members of staff who are first-aid trained and the school site has regular safety inspections as does all electrical equipment. Any trips or visits are risk-assessed prior to departure and the school educational visits policy is followed.

#### 9. What SEND training have the staff at school had or are having?

All teachers are teachers of children with Special Educational Needs. Teaching and support staff undertake specific courses as needed for example should a child be non-verbal appropriate staff may have Makaton or PECS training. The Head Teacher and SENCO oversees that staff have any specialised expertise they many need in order to support a specific disability. If you have any concerns whether the staff are able to meet a specific needs please come and discuss your concerns.

10 How will my child be included in activities outside the classroom including school trips?

Reasonable adjustments will be made to arrangements in whatever form is needed to ensure that your child is able to take part in school visits and trips alongside their peers. If you have any concerns or anticipate difficulties regarding your child's ability to access trips and visits please contact the Head Teacher or SENCO so that we can ensure your child has equal access to these important opportunities.

#### 11. How will school prepare and support my child through the transition from key stage to key stage and beyond?

The school liaises closely with feeder schools both for year R and year 6 but also between each class. Additional home visits or visits to nursery settings may be arranged by staff to get to know your child. Time is taken to listen to the parent and child's needs. Additional visits can be arranged to reduce anxiety and transition booklets are used to support children's understanding of the transition process. In years 5 and 6 if your child has an EHC plan the Secondary SENCO is invited to the transition meetings. SENCOs from different settings have meetings specifically to ensure an informed and successful transition occurs.

#### 12. How are the school's resources allocated and matched to pupils' special educational needs?

The school receives funding to deliver education to all children. Where additional support is necessary, resources are provided where possible. If a child has profound and multiple needs the school can apply for top up funding, via an Education Health Care Plan from the SEN Provision and Assessment Team.

#### 13. How is the decision made about what type and how much support my child will receive?

The type and level of support your child receives will be based upon what your child needs in order to overcome barriers to learning and make appropriate progress. Decisions will be based on our knowledge of your child, consultation with the parents/carers and any advice available from outside professionals.

#### 14. Who can I contact for further information?

You can contact your child's class teacher, the Head Teacher Simon Pollard or the SENCO Sandra Gynn

#### 15. What should I do if I feel that the Local Offer is not being delivered or is not meeting my child's needs?

In the first instance please discuss this with your class teacher. However, if you continue to have concerns make an appointment to see the Head Teacher Simon Pollard or the SENCO Sandra Gynn.

#### 16 How is your School Offer reviewed?

Our School offer is a working, flexible document which will be updated as changes occur. It is routinely reviewed annually.

Cornwall's Local Offer can be found on The Cornwall Family Information Services (FIS) website: <a href="http://cornwall.childrensservicedirectory.org.uk">http://cornwall.childrensservicedirectory.org.uk</a>

Further information of SEN Provision and Support:

#### Whole School Approach to Teaching & Learning:

- ✓ All teachers are responsible for the learning and progress of every child in their class, including those with SEN, through high quality teaching and learning.
- ✓ An inclusive, differentiated and personalised approach to enable all learners, including those with SEN, to engage with all aspects of school life.

#### **Our Graduated Response for Learners:**

- ✓ Continual monitoring of the quality of teaching
- ✓ Identifying and tracking the progress of children/young people that require support to catch up by monitoring their progress.
- ✓ Identification of children/young people requiring SEN support and initiation of 'assess,plan,do,review' cycle.
- ✓ Consideration of application for Education, Health and Care Plan.
- ✓ All children/young people identified as requiring SEN Support or with an Education, Health and Care Plan are on our Record of Need.

#### How we identify children/young people that need additional or different provision:

- ✓ Class teacher refers to SENCO
- ✓ On-going curriculum assessments
- ✓ Class observations
- ✓ Tracking progress using data
- ✓ Further assessments by specialists, including those from external agencies.

#### How we listen to the views of children/young people and their parents:

What	Who	When
Informal discussions	Class teachers, support staff and SENCO	As and when needed or requested
Parents Evenings	Class teachers and SENCO	Termly
Home-School Book	Parent/carers and classroom staff	As agreed
IEP Review meetings	Parents/carers and SENCO	Termly
Parents meetings to discuss needs and progress	Parent/Carer, class teacher and/or SENCO	As needs arise (at least termly)

#### The Assess, Plan, Do, Review Cycle

For children/young people on our record of need an Assess, Plan, Do, Review cycle will be established by the SENCO in collaboration with the child, their parents/carers and the class teacher.

This year, provision made for our children has included:

#### **Communication and Interaction:**

1:1 Speech & Language therapy

Small group language sessions

Visual timetables, now & next boards, traffic light cards

TIS sessions - developing social skills and understanding emotions

Alternative ways of recording work using ICT, photos, video, adult scribing

Clear routines and expectations

Use of task management boards

Reward systems

1:1 RWInc

A range of after school clubs

#### **Cognition and Learning**

Bespoke phonics sessions

Phonological awareness support

Dyslexia screening and provision

Precision teaching
Repetition and overlearning
Pre teaching
Reading Revival
EP assessments
Small group 'catch up' sessions
1:1 reading support
Extra adult support

#### Social, Emotional and Mental Health:

Trusted adults for all children who need emotional support
Personalised timetable
TISUK
CAMHS support
Team around the child meetings
ASD champion
ASD advisors
Counselling
Nurture sessions
Meditation

#### Sensory and/or Physical Needs:

Funfit
Sensory club
Movement breaks
Physiotherapy – following care plans
Occupational Therapy care plans
Safe / quiet areas in school
Use of chew buddies/fiddle toys
Writing slopes / pen grips

#### **Monitoring**

We monitor the quality of this provision through class observations, monitoring interventions and planning, work scrutinies, liasing with teachers and support staff and of course through discussions with parents and the child. We measure the impact by looking at school data, further discussions with parents and children, work produced and with assessments from outside agencies such as Speech & Language.

#### **Support Staff Deployment.**

Support staff are deployed in a number of roles:

Delivering small group intervention

Meeting & Greeting

Lunchtime supervision – modelling/facilitating social interactions

Running clubs

Supporting learning in class

Supporting individual children in class

Pastoral support throughout the day

#### **Distribution of funds for SEN**

This was allocated in the following areas:

Support staff

External services

Teaching and learning resources

Staff training

#### Partnerships with other schools and how we manage transitions:

We work with a number of schools in the following way:

Head teacher meetings

SENCO meetings within the trust

Community enrichment events

Moderation meetings

Transition to secondary – planned meetings, extra transitions, opportunities to attend summer activities

Good relationships with nurseries ensure smooth transition

Transition meetings with staff to pass on knowledge

Sessions in summer term for new intake

Transition booklets

#### **Our Complaints procedure:**

Anyone wishing to make a complaint with regard to SEN support and provision should contact the Headteacher, Simon Pollard or the SENCO Sandra Gynn