



18th March, 2021

SEND update

Dear parents/carers,

Following a review of the current systems we have in school, we are now altering the way that we use pupil-profiles in school, in order to provide even better support for all pupils with SEND needs.

From now on pupils will have a pupil-profile if:

- they have an EHCP and/ or;
- are working with external agencies and/or;
- it is deemed that pupils need significant adaptations to ensure they are able to access the curriculum.

This will be a small number of pupils. This decision will be made on an individual basis, taking into account of a range of information. This alteration will allow our teaching staff to adapt practice appropriately to ensure pupils receive the optimum level of support.

For the vast majority of pupils, quality provision in the classroom is sufficient to ensure pupils make excellent progress. Teachers will continue to benefit from extensive training on SEND needs to ensure we provide the best to support for pupils.

Teachers have access to information on each pupil's additional needs, and any additional equipment they may need to support their learning. For example, they may have an overlay, a fiddle toy, or a time-out pass as a support mechanism. Furthermore, we have now added further capacity to our Learning Support Assistants (LSAs). These specialist staff will regularly be in lessons, providing additional support to pupils as necessary.

We are confident that these changes will enable us to enhance our SEND provision even further.

If you have anything you would like to discuss, please contact me at school via: enquiry@decschool.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

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