

All staff at Huish Episcopi Primary School are committed to providing the best learning opportunities for all children. We are an inclusive school, working together with parents / carers and a wide range of outside agencies and professionals. This enables us to provide individualised provision to best meet any additional educational, social and emotional needs for our pupils.

Who do I see if I am worried?

1. Your child's Class Teacher is your first point of contact. You can arrange to speak to the Class Teacher after school, usually by appointment.
2. You can also arrange to speak to the school SENCO—Liz Ramsay
3. An appointment with the Head Teacher can be made through the School Office.

Further Support

You are able to access parental support from Nicky Buckler our PFSA (Parent Family Support Advisor). You can contact her directly by telephoning [07825 833556](tel:07825833556). Alternatively referrals can be made to the PFSA via the SENCO: lramsay@educ.somerset.gov.uk

You can also contact Parent Partnership for advice on:

T: 01823 355578

E: enquiries@somersetparentpartnership.org.uk

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Who might work with my child?

Huish Episcopi Primary School have an excellent team of Teachers and Support staff that have a wealth of knowledge and experience.

It may be necessary to involve outside professionals to support the school in planning an appropriate provision for your child. You will be included in the process of referring to these services. These could include:

Learning Support Advisory Teachers

Ups and Downs

Physical impairment and Medical Support

Hearing Impairment Advisory Teachers

Visual impairment Advisory Teachers

Educational Psychologist

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Advisory Teachers

Autism and Communication Advisors

Integrated Therapy Services which include Speech and Language, Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy.

School Nurse Team

CAMHS (Children and Adults Mental Health Services)

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School Offer

Special Educational Needs Parent / Carer Information

1. How do you know if your child needs extra help?

All children's progress is closely monitored by the Class Teacher. If the Class Teacher has any concerns about the progress or attainment of a child they will speak to both the Parents and the SENCO to plan the next steps. It may be necessary to carry out specific assessments to identify areas of need and at this stage a referral can be made to the appropriate outside agency with the consent of the parent.

2. How will school support my child?

Your child's education will be overseen by the Class Teacher. The flexibility of our school enables your child to be supported both in and out of the classroom. This may be with Teaching Assistants, Class Teacher or outside agencies.

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

All class work is differentiated to match the needs of individual learners. Observation, marking, assessment and review inform planning on a day to day basis.

4. How will I know how my child is doing?

Parent evenings are held in the Autumn and Spring Terms and reports are written in the Summer Term, you are able to arrange to discuss the report with your child's Class Teacher. In addition to this, children who receive High Needs Funding or have an Education, Health and Care Plan (previously a Statement) will have an **annual review meeting** to inform and plan for the next steps.

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

In addition to support received for academic subjects your child may take part in small social, nurturing style groups. You will be informed if your child is due to participate in a group such as this.

Specific care plans and support will be put into place for children experiencing difficulties with emotional needs and those needing medical support or intimate care.

6. What specialist services are accessed by the school?

When a child has specific needs we can access the County Support Services and Health Care Professionals as listed on the back page, as required.

It may be suggested that your child be discussed at the Consultation Meetings with our School Support Services to draw on their expert knowledge, you will be asked for your consent and be given a written letter of outcomes following the meeting.

7. How accessible is the school environment?

Our school is a Victorian design which is on two levels with stairs. We use our best endeavour to make the school site as accessible as possible. We have access to disabled toilet facilities. We would welcome you to visit the schools to discuss individual needs.

All children have the right to access class trips where it is safe for them to do so. You will have the opportunity to discuss your child's specific needs prior to any trip or off site visit.

8. How will the school support transitions to new settings?

Prior to starting in Reception, children identified as having additional needs will have a School Entry Planning Meeting. You will be invited to attend this meeting alongside Pre-school staff, School staff and any external professionals that are involved in supporting your child. This meeting plans how all concerned can make the transition to school as smooth and easy as possible.

Children who are joining in-year or at the start of an academic year will meet with the Head Teacher. This will ensure appropriate planning to enable a smooth transition.

For children with medical needs, this may include arranging staff training, in order to plan appropriately for their needs. Our school offers additional visits for those children who require them.

Huish Episcopi Primary School offers two sessions for you to attend with your child prior to starting school to ensure that they are familiar with the staff and the school setting in advance.

Year 6 students due to transfer to Secondary School, who have additional needs, have their annual review to prepare and plan a smooth transition in the Summer Term. The receiving school's SENCO and all external agencies involved along with you will be included in this discussions. Liz Ramsay also meets with Judith Hills (SENCO at the Academy) to discuss all children with Special Needs. We encourage additional visits to the transferring school.

For more information

Visit our website

www.huishepiscopiprimary.co.uk