School Local Offer - Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)

Monkfield Park Primary School is an inclusive school and may offer the following range of provision to support children with SEND

Intervention

Social Skills programmes/support including strategies to enhance self-esteem Social Skills programmes are run when needed to support individuals who would benefit from improving their emotional skills.

Access to a supportive environment – IT facilities/equipment/resources (including preparation)

- Classrooms arranged on a dyslexia friendly basis
- General SEN resources include pencil grips, timers, communication fans, coloured overlays, sensory articles, writing slopes and working walls
- IT programmes and apps on laptops and iPads
- Use of laptops and iPads to support recording in non-written ways

Strategies/programmes to support speech and language

- The Speech and Language Therapist visits the school regularly to work with children who have been referred to the service.
- Teaching assistants support individuals under the guidance of the Speech and Language Therapist.
- In Reception, Time to Talk is used with small groups of children to develop their communication.
- Identified children in Reception and Year 1 participate in the Nuffield Early Language Intervention (NELI) to develop their language and communication skills.

Mentoring activities

 Mentors are available to individual children whose self-esteem needs raising, who have experienced a disruptive emotional event (such as a family bereavement) or who have other needs, which would be supported by dedicated one to one time with an adult.

Counselling Services

Blue Smile counsellors provide counselling and art therapy for individual children who
have experienced traumatic events (e.g. the death of a parent) or are experiencing
significant mental health issues which are impacting on their emotional health and
wellbeing and ability to access learning.

Access to strategies/programmes to support Occupational Therapy/Physiotherapy needs

- Children who have been referred to the Occupational Therapy or Physiotherapy services may participate in Sensory Circuits a regular programme to support the development of gross motor skills, and/or Fizzy Hands to develop fine motor skills.
- Additional programmes to support children with fine motor skills which affect their handwriting are also available, including 'Write From the Start' and 'Speed Up'.

Strategies to reduce anxiety/promote emotional wellbeing (including communication with parents)

- Mentoring
- Home school books
- Social skills groups

- Quiet areas around the school
- Nurture group

Strategies to support/develop reading and writing

- Participation in 'Read Write Inc' beyond Year 2, or in one to one sessions
- 'Nessy Phonics', particularly for children with dyslexic tendencies
- 'Project X Code' for Year 3+ readers and writers.
- Enhanced Rehearsal Technique
- Toe by Toe
- Accelerated Reader
- Use of Clicker 8

Strategies to support positive behaviour

- Range of social skills games and activities
- Clear whole school behaviour policy with rewards and consequences
- · Team Teach trained staff
- Lego therapy-style activities
- Regular contact between child and senior staff to monitor behaviour
- Close contact with parents/carers including regular meetings to discuss strategies and progress

Strategies to support/develop maths

- Use of 'Numicon' across both Key Stages
- 'First Class @ Number' in Key Stages 1 or 2
- 'First Class@arithmetic' in Year 5 and Year 6
- Individual maths support through 'Numbers Count'
- 'Dynamo maths' for children with dyscalculia tendencies
- Mathletics
- Maths Whizz
- Third Space Learning tuition programme

Provision to facilitate/support access to the curriculum

- Support from teaching assistants on a one to one or small group basis
- Differentiated lessons planned by teachers
- Range of resources such as recording devices, coloured overlays, word banks and task sheets to support individual needs
- Hearing loops in classes where recommended by the hearing support service
- Third Space tuition for maths

Strategies/support to develop independent learning

- Task sheets to structure learning into small chunks
- 'Stepping in and out' practiced by staff
- Use of timers and other aids to independent task completion
- Other strategies as recommended by professionals for individuals

Support/supervision at unstructured times of the day including personal care

- Support from teaching assistants and midday supervisors in unstructured times
- Personal care is arranged on an individual basis

Planning and assessment

- Use of 'PIVATS' to record small steps of progress and set appropriate targets
- Individual Support Plans and SMART targets for children who require highly differentiated targets.
- Assessment gradings linked to chronological year group expectations so clearer for parents to compare assessments with expected age-related attainment

Liaison/Communication with Professionals/Parents, attendance at meetings and preparation of reports

- School information booklets on key issues such as dyslexia, gifted children and SEN
- School used as a venue for meetings between parents and professionals
- Curriculum evenings to share information
- Hosting of 'Team Around the Family' meetings and use of Common Assessment Framework documentation.

Access to Medical Interventions

- Annual whole staff training in epilepsy, asthma and anaphylaxis
- Staff training in medical interventions to support individuals
- Commitment to ensure all children can access school trips and residential visits
- Close liaison with school nursing service
- Support for children attending hospital for extended periods/ requiring part time schooling due to medical conditions

For children with complex SEND needs, the frequency of such provision may result in the school applying for additional support for a child, known as an Educational and Health Needs Assessment.