### Central Street Infant and Nursery School Local Offer November 2023 SEND Information Report



The following details Central Street Infant & Nursery School's Individual Local Offer (SEN Information Report as required in Schedule 1 of Regulation 51) and should be read in conjunction with the Core Offer found set out in Calderdale's Local Offer <a href="www.calderdale.gov.uk/localoffer">www.calderdale.gov.uk/localoffer</a> which details the provision available in all Calderdale schools and academies.

Ofsted Inspectors visited Central Street in November 2022 and found that the school had a strong sense of community and that there is an ethos of 'care, kindness and calm'. Inspectors found that pupils who find behaviour more challenging were 'skilfully supported' and that relationships between adults and children were positive and respectful. They commented that there were clear systems in place for identifying pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities and that the SENCo 'works closely with parents, teachers and pupils to incorporate their views into the individual plans of pupils with SEND' and that the pupils with the ASD Resource Provision were well supported and 'experience a curriculum which meets their individual needs'. The inspectors found that 'leaders make sure that these pupils have carefully considered and appropriate opportunities to integrate with their year group peers'.

We hope that this report will answer any questions you have about the provision we offer for pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. If you do have any questions please contact us.

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Age Range	3-7 years
Funding	Maintained Primary, therefore we have a notional budget provided by the Local Authority which is distributed via a graduated approach according to need. The Local Authority provides top up funding to support children who have an EHC Plan.

### Polices for Identification and Assessment of Pupils with SEN

Additional and Special Educational Needs and Disability Policy Safeguarding Equal Opportunities Positive Behaviour Health and Safety Medical Conditions Policy Accessibility Plan

Below are frequently asked questions that parents/carers may ask about provision for children and young people who have special educational needs. The information aims to be clear and easy to understand however if you prefer to talk to a member of staff, please use the phone number and or the email addresses above to contact school.

### How will Central Street support all children to reach their full potential?

- Teacher led provision that focuses on challenge, independence and inclusion.
- A broad and balanced curriculum which is differentiated and takes into account the interests of the children.
- We have an Autism Resource provision which provides specialist support for up to 10 Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils with Autism from across Calderdale.
- A guided learning approach is used when teaching Reading, English and Maths. This means that children are taught in small groups which allows for carefully differentiated teaching
- Questions for Learning provide a focus for topics and individual lessons.
   They provide frequent opportunities to assess learning
- To meet the needs of all children in school and ensure that they have access to a broad, balanced curriculum which is differentiated and has been designed to take account of different learning styles and children's interests.
- Well staffed classrooms with one teacher and timetabled support assistants.
- Quality of teaching and learning well monitored by highly experienced leaders and overseen by external moderation. Ofsted visited in November 2022 and found the quality of education remained 'Good'.
- High expectations for all pupils regardless of their starting points.
- Rigorous pupil tracking system (*Target Tracker*) which ensures all children are monitored.
- Bsquared assessment tracker (small steps of progress) has been introduced and all teachers and support staff have received training.
- Professional dialogue about every child in school every term ensures any difficulties are identified early and suitable provision put in place.
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- Impact of interventions monitored and adjustments made as required.
- Dedicated SENCo (Special Needs Co-ordinator) time. Our SENCo is part of the Senior Leadership Team.
- Detailed programme of reviews with parents and professionals: 3 family
  consultation evenings and 3 reports to families, termly reviews for children
  receiving SEN Support, more frequently if necessary for those on the SEN
  register who have an EHC Plan and comprehensive Annual Reviews.
  Parent's views are important to us.
- Children's views are very important; they are invited to consultation evenings, SEND reviews, active school council and annual pupil questionnaire.
- Support Assistants help to meet individual needs.
- Attachment Aware Behaviour Regulation policy with agreed whole school strategies. This includes where possible a natural reparation.
- Long established, acknowledged and celebrated ethos of inclusion and equality.
- Before and After school club provision is run by TAs who work in school.

## How do we involve families and children?

- Class teachers develop positive relationships with families through and open door policy.
- Class Dojo is used to communicate with families and to share updates of the learning and events that are happening in school and the wider communities.
- Class Dojo is established as our Remote Learning Platform.
- Class teachers will facilities discussion about children's wellbeing and development.

- We have a number of ways in which we engage with families regarding the
  progress of their child including telephone calls, consultation meetings (these
  may be virtual), annual reviews and and three school reports written by class
  teacher (one per term).
- Class teachers will communicate their observations and seek further information from the child and their family.
- Class teachers will listen to observations or concerns raised by the child or family.
- Children and families will be involved in termly discussions about progress and their individual needs.
- Families are always involved in any referrals that are made to appropriate services.
- We signpost families to support where they can find help and advice. Training courses or parent groups.
- Parent invited to all review meetings for IEP's.
- Family questionnaires.
- Celebration assemblies
- Half termly 'Wellbeing Wednesdays'.
- Transition activities are shared with families; families are invited to meet their child's new class teacher in their new classroom. We also send home a transition photo booklet for all children.

## How do we help a child with physical needs?

Our provision is always based on individual need; where appropriate

- Every class has access to equipment which helps writing: sloping boards; a
  variety of pencil grips; a variety of pens and other writing apparatus and a
  range of IT equipment.
- Whole Class Strategies such as 'Disco Dough' and 'Squiggle While you Wiggle'.
- Support assistants trained to deliver Fine and Gross Motor skills programmes, alongside advice from external agencies such as Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy.
- Relevant staff are trained in moving and handling.
- Disabled toilet
- A level, outdoor playing area
- Annual review and publication of the Equality Policy and Action Plan.

# How do we help a child with speech and language needs?

- Experienced staff.
- Delivery of programmes devised by speech and language therapist.
- SULP (Social Use of Language) trained assistants.
- Chatterbox Speech & Language Programme for nursery children
- Nursery Narratives Programme promotes understanding and use of language.
- Black Sheep Narratives Programme promotes understanding and use of language.
- Lego Therapy.
- Talking Partners.
- Let's Talk Programme develops understanding and use of simple vocabulary.
- Delivery of programmes devised by speech and language therapists
- Early Phonics Phase 1.
- Key vocabulary mats (with visual prompts) sent home.
- Annual Phonics Training/Refresher for all teaching and support staff, ensuring correct enunciation of sounds (Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised)
- Vocabulary taught using a 'Word Aware' approach, meaning that vocabulary is specially taught.

	<ul> <li>Language rich learning environment</li> <li>Pre-teaching of key vocabulary to ensure understanding.</li> <li>LINGO Speech and Language Training</li> </ul>
How do we help a child who has English as an Additional Language (EAL)?	We currently have no children with English as an additional language, we do however have bilingual children. If support is needed we would use:  Visual cues.  Modelling.  Peer support.  First language resources.  Precision Teaching.  Work in partnership with external agencies where required to plan and deliver support for children with EAL.  Key vocabulary mats (with visual prompts) sent home.  To support EAL learners we would:  Seek support and advice  Use translation software  Translate key school documents  Plan a personalised programme for each learner
How do we help a child with sensory impairment?	<ul> <li>Advice sought from Hearing and Sight Impairment Services as required.</li> <li>Visual cues &amp; BSL signs.</li> <li>Visual timetables in each class</li> <li>Large typeface.</li> <li>Overlays.</li> <li>Weighted 'toys' (animals) and 'lap buddies'.</li> <li>A variety of 'fiddle' objects available in all classes, may include personalised calm boxes</li> <li>Sensory interventions planned with an understanding of 'sensory diets' and activities that will 'relax' and those that will 'energise' including sensory breaks and sensory circuits.</li> <li>Quieter spaces to work</li> <li>Reducing sensory input from the classroom environment – thinking carefully about colours, what is displayed, lighting etc</li> </ul>
How do we help a child who has social and emotional difficulties?	<ul> <li>Experienced and qualified staff giving one to one and small group support programmes to help with a range of issues for example self-esteem.</li> <li>Staff trained in awareness support of pupils with ASD.</li> <li>JIGSAW PSHE scheme and assemblies</li> <li>Referral/access to specialist support such as CAMHS/Educational Psychology, Noah's Ark, Art Therapy, Play Therapy.</li> <li>SDQ Questionnaires.</li> <li>Social Stories.</li> <li>1 page profiles.</li> <li>Variety of after school clubs to promote self esteem.</li> <li>SENCo is an Attachment Led Teacher, trained with Touchbase <a href="https://touchbase.org.uk/">https://touchbase.org.uk/</a></li> <li>A clear Attachment Aware Behaviour Regulation policy, followed consistently by all staff. Carefully planned, reasonable adjustments for some pupils.</li> <li>Positive behaviour is promoted through the school 'Promises'</li> <li>All children take part in Anti-bullying Week</li> <li>If an incident of bullying occurs it is dealt with promptly. All staff are informed so that they can be extra vigilant. We work closely with the families of the pupils concerned, regular contact is important; daily if necessarily. We</li> </ul>

check-in with the pupil who has been bullied at the end of each day to discuss positives, how they are feeling and next steps. We also work with the pupil(s) who are the bullies to support them to behave positively, discuss their feelings and the feelings of others.

- Half termly 'Wellbeing Wednesdays'
- Range of books to develop wellbeing, emotions and self esteem
- From January 2022 the Open Minds Mental Health Support Team and Educational Mental Health Practitioners will be work across our school federation. They will offer direct support for pupils with "mild to moderate mental health" needs. There are 3 main aims:
  - Delivering low intensity evidence-based interventions (mild to moderate MH problems)
  - Supporting the Mental Health Lead (SLT) to develop your whole school approach
  - Giving timely advice to school staff, liaising with external services to get the right support for your children and families so they can stay in education.
- Open Minds workshop for Year 1 and Year 2 children about anxiety.
- Open Minds workshop for KS1 parents about anxiety
- Professional development session for teachers delivered by Open Minds
- Calderdale Music Trust Nurture Group
- Zones of Regulation Lessons are taught across the school to help children recognise and names how they are feeling and to help build up their own toolkit of strategies to help them stay within or return to 'the green zone'.

# How do we help a child with behavioural difficulties?

- Variety of after school clubs to promote self esteem.
- Individual Behaviour Plans, organised using the 'Zones of Regulation' also completed with families to help identify triggers and calming strategies.
- A clear Attachment Aware Behaviour Regulation policy, followed consistently by all staff. Carefully planned, reasonable adjustments for some pupils.
- Use of ABC behaviour logs to help understand triggers for behaviours.
- Patience and understanding from experienced staff.
- Support given at playtimes and lunchtime.
- Social Stories.
- 1 page profiles.
- Peer awareness.
- Carefully planned transitions.
- Home/school books
- SENCo is an Attachment Led Teacher, trained with Touchbase https://touchbase.org.uk/

We recognise that all behaviour is a form of communication. We therefore monitor incidents of behaviour via CPOMs and these are discussed at staff meetings. We are able to spot patterns and trends and we intervene as appropriate.

### What interventions do you provide?

For children receiving SEN Support, extra provision is closely matched with the current work in class and their individual targets, their strengths and needs from their IEP. This is done to ensure that they can access the same curriculum. The intervention work is directed by Class teachers (in line with the Code of Practice). This may be 1:1 or in small groups.

Some children, including those with an EHCP often require bespoke interventions which are usually recommended to us by external agencies. These are prioritised within the weekly timetable for the child in question. This could be in the form of personalised provision planning linked carefully to their targets, it may also include additional adult support across the school day, including lunchtime.

#### Experienced support assistants to deliver individualised programmes e.g. How do we help a bespoke programmes based on need around decoding, phonics - Little child who needs Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised Keep Up sessions (group and 1:1). support with Dyslexia aware staff and Dyslexia friendly classrooms. English? Dyslexia Screening Tool - Pearson Small intervention groups for booster work. Precision teaching – phonics, high frequency words Writing slopes and bespoke equipment where necessary. Additional 1:1 reading Nessy Dyslexia Screening and Nessy Reading and Spelling Pre-teaching of vocabulary and phonics BSquared assessment tool for tracking small steps of progress How do we help a Support assistants to deliver individualised programmes for children with child who needs IEP's. support with Experienced staff will address misconceptions quickly and effectively using a Maths? variety of resources and methods. Precision teaching –key facts e.g. number bonds Delivery of the pre-learning and over learning in small supported groups. Concrete materials always available to all children and all are encouraged to use it. Appropriate targets, working on small steps of progression. Pre-teaching. On Track Maths Intervention – targeted teaching activities, identifies gaps in learning. BSquared assessment tool for tracking small steps of progress How do we support Individualised care plans created and reviewed annually by a team around a child who has the child including the school nurse, parents and first aiders in school. medical needs? Team of trained first aiders across all phases of school. Medical Conditions policy. Health care plans are available in classrooms and the staffroom. Asthma inhalers are accessible to the children who need them. Training from healthcare professionals when necessary. Intimate Care Policy in place. Asthma and Anaphylaxis training/refresher for all staff. Clear communication with families. Development of close relationships with families to help the child feel comfortable either being dependent on school staff or as independent as possible whilst at school. All staff adhere to a 'Code of Conduct'. How will we meet a Intimate care policy in place. child's personal Children are given as much responsibility for personal care as is possible care needs? with staff interventions only coming into force when necessary and following strict procedures. Staff will only call parents to assist if absolutely necessary. Care Plans are established where needed and shared so all staff are aware of children's needs. School is currently developing a Medical Conditions policy. Clear communication with families. How do we support Experienced staff in ASD. a child with Advice from support agencies sought and followed. complex and

multiple needs?

#### How will we include Extra staff are deployed for trips to meet the stringent requirements of our children in activities risk assessments and pupil to adult ratios. outside the Parents/carers consulted prior to trips for advice and guidance. classroom Social Stories used before the visit to prepare pupils for travel and what they including school will see. trips? Class teachers will go on a planning visit before the trip takes place. We provide children with step by step learning so that they acquire the relevant skills associated with a safe school visit and are able to participate. All children are included in all curriculum enhancing activities, whether this means trips into the local community, trips that are further afield and involve coach or train travel or visitors into school. Where necessary extra support is provided or activities are adapted to allow all children to take part. Children with SEND are supported to join after school clubs, including wraparound-care. Home visits by EYFS (Early Year Foundation Stage) staff In–School extended transition period in the Summer Term so that transition How do we prepare between classes is smooth. and support a Visits to pre-school placements by EYFS staff child/young person We are part of the Hebden Bridge Schools Federation; this makes the for transition? transition for our infant children to junior school very easy. The staff across all three school work closely as we view ourselves as one primary school over three sites. Transition plans included in the IEP – this may include extended visits to Junior school with infant school staff Identified children are offered extra transitional visits to Junior schools. Close liaison with all other settings involved in transition – good exchange of information Visit school to meet students Close cluster work between schools. Year 2 children from Stubbings Infant School meet with the Year 2 children from Central Street frequently during the second half of the Summer Term; this includes playtimes at the Junior school, picnic and games on the park... If a child moves midvear out of the area we will contact the transferring school. Relevant documents will be passed on confidentially; using CPOMs where possible to ensure members of staff that are working directly with the child are aware of the support, strategies and resources to ensure a smooth transition. SENCo will make contact and where necessary will visit. Playtimes/lunchtimes seen as an important part of the day and included in How will we time for 1:1 support for children with an EHC Plan, if appropriate develop social Positive play games promoted by lunchtime staff skills throughout Restorative approach to day to day social difficulties the school day, Mixed age group playtimes especially break Peer awareness times and other SULP unstructured times of the day?

## How do we allocate resources?

- 1:1 support as specified in a child's EHC Plan
- Specific resources targeted to individual pupil through SEN allocation as required
- Specific resources targeted to individual pupils through Pupil Premium allocation.
- Pupils who are at risk of not making expected progress and those who are working at levels that do not match the national expectations for their age are prioritised.

### Support assistants allocated to deliver 1:1 and small group interventions based upon the outcomes/objectives in the IEP All children are regularly reviewed and provision is matched to needs The Autism Resource Provision (ARP) is a resource for 10 pupils on the Autism Can my child access the autism Spectrum who have been allocated a place by Calderdale Council. One aspect of provision for an ARP pupil is access to small intervention groups planned and resource led by specialist ARP staff. provision? At Central Street some mainstream pupils (without an ARP place) occasionally access specific groups within the school's Autism Resource Provision (ARP) for a time limited intervention. The decision to place a child in an intervention group taught by ARP staff will be made by school staff based on: • The needs of the individual child. • The existing pupils in the ARP. • The ability and curriculum coverage of current ARP intervention groupings. • Whole school provision mapping. This intervention will be time limited and reviewed termly. If a child requires long term support from the autism resource provision, an ARP place will be sought through the consultation process (with parental permission). Please see the ARP information report for more information about your child's access to the ARP Well planned programme of CPD (Professional Development, accessing How do we ensure both external agencies and in-school support - monitored through the all staff are well School's Performance Management system that includes all staff. This is trained? based upon the needs of the current pupil-profile. SENCo is a qualified teacher SENCo has achieved the national Award in Special Education Needs Coordination Training on any specific needs is bought in. SENCo is an Attachment Led Teacher, trained with Touchbase https://touchbase.org.uk/ Many Support and Teaching Assistants are ASD trained Termly SEND Professional Development Meetings where any training is shared Good practise is shared at staff Curriculum Meetings Support Assistants trained in SULP by ASD Outreach Team Phonics Training/Refresher for all teaching and support staff, ensuring correct enunciation of sounds Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised. How do we raise Open evenings for new families awareness of **Prospectus** special educational Website and Social Media needs for parents Assemblies and the wider Open lessons for families to come and see what/how the children are community? learning. Regular IEP meetings. Support sessions run by MHST Which specialist We have current regular contact with the following services who give us support services do we and advice:-

Specialist Inclusion Service, including ASD.

Calderdale SEN Team

access beyond the

school?

Educational Psychology Speech and Language Therapy Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy CAMHS (Children's Mental Health Team) / Open Minds Virtual School Noah's Ark Calderdale Early Intervention Team (Early Help) **Educational Welfare** School Nursing Service (Locala) MAST (Multi-Agency Screening Team Family Support Calderdale Human Resource Service Calderdale Education Welfare Service Calderdale Health and Safety Service Calderdale Safeguarding Service We are also part of Calder Valley School Cluster where expertise is shared between schools Termly monitoring by the SENCo How do we Performance management of teachers and SENCo evaluate and Individual Pupil progress meetings for children on SEND register. review the support IEP reviews provided? Annual reviews **Individual Provision Mapping** Interventions are reviewed for progress. Pupils that receive SEN Support and have an EHC plan are also tracked (when necessary) using BSquared to show small steps of progress. How do we deal The school works, wherever possible, in partnership with parents to ensure a with complaints collaborative approach to meeting children's needs. regarding our We have an open door policy and parents can talk to teachers, the head provision for teacher and SENCo whenever possible. children and young All complaints are taken seriously and are heard through the school's people with SEN? complaints policy and procedure. Contact details of Calderdale SENDIASS support services for parents of pupils with SEN www.calderdalesendiass.org.uk The SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) Information, Advice and Support Service (formerly Parent Partnership Service) provides legally based, impartial, confidential and accessible information, advice and support for parents of children and young people with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities about education, health and social care. Contact details: Contact: 01422 266141 **Unique Ways (Previously Calderdale Parents and Carers)** www.uniqueways.org.uk Meeting other parents with a disabled child can be a huge source of support for families. Many families find it helpful to meet or chat with other families who are in a similar situation to them.

Contact 01422 343090

**Independent Support** – both the above organisations have also been commissioned by the Department of Education to deliver Independent Support in Calderdale. These will provide advice and support for parents of children with SEN, and young people with SEN, through the statutory assessment and Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) processes.

Independent Supporters will help to build resilience in families by offering a range of time-limited support such as liaison across different agencies and advice on personal budgets. The level and nature of that support will be tailored to the particular needs of individual families.

For full details of the entire support provided for parents please follow the link to Calderdale's Local Offer: <a href="https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/localoffer">www.calderdale.gov.uk/localoffer</a>