

# **Educational Support (SEND) Policy**

The Corporation of Oundle School includes both Oundle School, a boarding and day School for pupils aged 11 – 18 and Laxton Junior School, a day School for pupils aged 4 - 11. This policy applies solely to Laxton Junior School and is applicable to all staff.

### Introduction

Laxton Junior School offers a vibrant, engaging and wide-ranging academic and co-curriculum that provides bespoke support and challenge to every child - irrespective of ability, interest and learning need - and offers equality of opportunity in all that they do. We have the highest expectations of our children with regards to their attainment and progress and believe always that every child is capable of significant achievement across and beyond the curriculum.

Our school has a diverse and wide-ranging community of pupils who we continually support to embody our core values of A Love of Learning, Opportunity, Care, Community and Quality. Driven by our school values, our mission is to prepare all Laxton Junior School children for both their chosen senior school and the life that lies beyond. This preparation develops in them a series of essential characteristics that we believe will enable them to thrive in whichever direction they wish their lives to take; indeed, we want our children to be: confident and resilient, kind and respectful, open-minded and well-rounded and collaborative and independent.

Central to our approach to educational support is an understanding and appreciation of the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) within the SEN Code of Practice (2014) and the Equality Act (2010). While it is not necessary for independent schools to follow the Code of Practice (2014), it enables us to ensure that the needs of each child are being met and that every child has equality of opportunity.

The Educational Support team supports children with SEND, English as an Additional Language (EAL) and More able and Exceptionally able. While children can fall into more than one of these categories, it is vital that the definitions of each pathway are clear and seen as separate. Therefore, each of these has its own policy with the understanding that a child can be classed within one or more.

We also understand that there will be pupils who, for a number of reasons, will be challenged in reaching their full potential with the curriculum and may need a tailored approach, alongside our Quality First Teaching. This means that at LJS, we take pride in our excellent teaching, resources and scaffolds to our pupils as part of our normal teaching practice. Alongside this, pupils may be offered support in addition to their form tutor. These pupils may not be considered as having Special Educational Needs and/or Disability at this stage but at LJS, they may also come under our school's wider Educational Support Provision to support their learning journey.

## **Equal Opportunities and Accessibility**

We recognise that every child is unique and are committed to making reasonable adjustments, in order to remove barriers to learning and participation in school life. We value the diversity of our school community and appreciate the contribution of all of our pupils equally.

We ensure that all children can access and participate in our teaching and learning and the wider curriculum, such as our after-school clubs and school trips. We are continually working to ensure that our school is meeting the needs of our children in school and we have a dedicated team who lead on accessibility to make certain every person's needs are considered.

According to the Equality Act 2010, a person has a disability if: 'He or she has a physical or mental impairment' and 'The impairment has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities'.

We are committed to creating an environment that ensures access to the curriculum and values every individual - pupils, staff, parents, and visitors - regardless of their educational, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional, or cultural needs.

For more information about how we make our school more accessible for our pupils, please see our Accessibility Plan.

## **Definition**

At LJS, a pupil has SEND if they have a particular learning need or disability which calls for additional educational provision to be made for him or her. According to the SEN Code of Practice, 2015, a pupil will be classed as having a learning difficulty or disability if he or she:

- Has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age; or
- Has a disability, including a physical or mental impairment, which prevents or hinders him or her from making use of educational facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age within school

A pupil has SEND if he or she is likely to fall within the definition above when they reach school age or would do so if additional educational provision was not put in place for them.

This definition includes pupils with long term medical conditions such as chronic asthma, diabetes, epilepsy and cancer. Pupils with such conditions do not necessarily have SEN but, where a pupil requires additional educational provision, the school will discuss individual cases with parents. If adjustments and aids are mutually agreed by both parties, these individual pupils will additionally be covered by the SEND definition as they are receiving provision 'which is additional to, different from their peers'.

### Aims

This Policy aims to:

- Keep the child at the centre of all decisions and actions
- Ensure that communication is open, honest and inviting to all involved, including the child themselves, families, staff in school and external bodies
- Apply a whole-school policy to meeting each pupil's individual needs following the guidelines of The Code of Practice for SEN (2014), and the Equality Act (2010)
- Ensure all pupils have the ability to access our high quality education within a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum (including access to the National Curriculum) so that they can reach their full potential and enhance their self-esteem

- Empower form tutors and families to identify, at the earliest opportunity, any pupil who may have a specific learning difference
- Acknowledge that each individual and their differences are valued, and ensure that our school is accessible and supports the school ethos of equality and inclusion
- Ensure that pupils with physical disabilities are given adequate assistance to access the curriculum and reasonable adjustments are made to maximise their learning opportunities

## **Principles and Approach**

Our approach to the support of children with SEND is defined by the following:

- All pupils with SEND must have their needs routinely met, by consistent communication and support by staff
- Raising the achievement of pupils with SEND is a whole school responsibility
- Early identification and early intervention are essential for ensuring better outcomes for pupils
- All pupils are encouraged and supported to be active partners in the decision making about their education
- Active, respectful involvement of parents as equal partners in the education of their child has a positive impact on the learning and well-being of their child
- All pupils with SEND should have the opportunity to learn alongside their mainstream peers in a fully inclusive environment
- All pupils benefit from Quality First Teaching, meaning that all teachers are expected to assess, plan and teach all pupils at an appropriate level which allows them to progress
- Collaborative working with all parties, both internal and external, is essential to ensure we effectively meet pupils' need
- Effective transition arrangements must be in place across all phases of education to ensure positive outcomes for the pupil and their family
- Resources allocated to SEND must be effectively used to secure maximum impact and value for money
- Systems for monitoring and evaluating developments in SEND support improvement in pupils' learning and provide appropriate challenge

## **Quality First Teaching**

This is a teaching style that encompasses LJS continuous whole school processes to ensure that an emphasis on consistent high quality for all pupils within the classroom. The teacher uses a variety of strategies to ensure that teaching is inclusive for all learning styles, and uses formative assessment, planning, implementing, tracking, monitoring and reviewing of every child's progress to provide a curriculum that all are able to access.

## Support in School

Importantly for children with SEND, and indeed all learners in school, is that all teaching staff are aware and knowledgeable about how they individuals they teach learn. At LJS, the Educational Support Team are responsible for clear and direct communication with all staff members, including specialist teachers, to provide a platform in which all teaching staff can access up-to-date and relevant information. At LJS, we have a Support in School (SIS) Register, Monitoring List, Personalised Learning Plans (PLP) and our termly Intervention Map which is a document which details the support a child is receiving. These documents are consistently and regularly updated to ensure that all necessary information is shared and correct so that staff can provide that best Quality First Teaching they can.

## **Roles and Responsibilities**

At LJS, every member of staff in school has a role and responsibility to be an integral part of provision for pupils with SEND. Communication and understanding are key; our Support in School register and Intervention Map is kept up-to-date and can be accessed by all staff at all times.

## **Head of Educational Support**

- Ensure the staff and Educational Support Team work together with appropriate others to ensure that resources and support are available for pupils with temporary or long-term specific learning differences and disabilities so that they are able to achieve their potential
- Conduct regular reviews of a pupil's progress
- Liaise and work with the Assistant Head Academic regarding data, pupil progress and support across the school
- Report to the Head as required
- Advise on curriculum scaffolds and accessibility issues
- Support teacher planning to meet pupil diversity
- Advise on inclusive teaching and learning approaches
- Model good SEN and inclusive classroom practice
- Monitor the quality and effectiveness of SEN/Inclusion policy and provision
- Supporting the Deputy Head, as line manager to our support staff, in supporting individual or particular learners and providing training
- Create and support staff in the upkeep of pupil's Personalised Learning Plans (PLPs)
- To lead and run interventions across the school
- To ensure the Educational Support Department is up to date with relevant research and training to ensure we are giving the very best provision we can provide to our pupils
- Ensure that appropriate records are maintained securely in line with the Data Protection Act
- Support, provide or direct teaching staff to appropriate Continued Professional Development
- Attending area network meetings and training

## Governors

Governors should review the SEND Policy and use it as a tool to support their understanding of SEND within school. SEND data analysis will be provided to Governors, where appropriate, through the Head's termly report along with any other relevant information.

#### Head

- Monitor the quality and effectiveness of the school's Educational Support Policy and provision
- Remain up-to-date about the school's strengths and areas for further development in relation to Educational Support provision
- Meet with the Head of Educational Support to receive regular updates on progress within inclusive practice at LJS
- Lead and review the school's Accessibility Plan, and the progress made towards meeting the objectives within this document
- Provide opportunity for SEN/Inclusion Inset and staff meetings, and monitor the impact through the Academic Team on improving classroom practice
- Ensure that parents/carers of pupils who are supported by the Educational Support Department are receiving appropriate information and support
- Ensure that inclusion is an integral part of the School's Strategic Plan

### **Assistant Head Academic**

The Leadership Team will be informed by the Head of Educational Support of the progress of all learners supported by the Educational Support team; this will be, in the first instance, through the Assistant Head

Academic, who will report to the Head on levels of progress and on the strategic development of our SEND provision. When needed, this will be discussed with the entire Leadership Team, particularly when involving access arrangements in school, pastoral matters and safeguarding.

#### **Academic Team**

The Academic Team is responsible for:

- Analysis of the whole-school pupil progress tracking system
- Analysis of a whole-school Intervention Map as supplied by Head of Educational Support, and children identified in the Support in School List (SIS)
- Regular meetings with the Head of Educational Support
- Support with discussions and consultations with pupils, teachers and parents

## **Educational Support Team**

The Educational Support team will oversee the day-to-day operation of this policy in the following ways:

- Maintenance and analysis of whole-school support register (SIS)
- Maintenance and analysis of whole-school Intervention Map
- Ensuring all staff members have up-to-date and accurate information on their pupils
- Co-ordinating provision for children with special educational needs/disabilities
- Liaising with and advising teachers
- Overseeing the records on all pupils with Special Educational Needs
- Contributing to staff training
- Overseeing the smooth running of transition arrangements and transfer of information for all pupils who transfer from one phase of education to another
- Monitoring the school's system for ensuring that Personalised Learning Plans are used consistently and maintained
- Evaluating regularly the impact and effectiveness of all interventions
- Liaising and consulting sensitively with parents and families of pupils on the SIS register, keeping them informed of progress and listening to their views of progress, in conjunction with class teachers
- Ensuring effective deployment of resources to maximise outcomes for all children

#### **Teachers**

Firstly, and fore-mostly, securing good provision and good outcomes for all groups of learners, including those with identified SEND, by:

- Providing scaffolded teaching and learning opportunities
- Ensuring there is adequate opportunity for pupils with SEND to work on agreed targets that are additional to or different from those normally provided.

Also, Teachers should liaise with the Head of Educational Support to discuss and agree about levels of support and need for each individual. The Educational Support Team use a colour coding system which aligns with the Pastoral Pathway as used by our Assistant Head Pastoral. These colours are used on the SIS to provide a useful tool to show:

- Which pupils in the class are being monitoring only using Quality First Teaching (Green)
- Which pupils are underachieving and need to have their additional interventions monitored on the intervention map but do not have special educational needs/disabilities (Amber)

• Children on the SEND register, pupils who have multiple needs and/or have support from external agencies, therefore needing regular and multiple interventions. (Red)

Any child who falls under the Red category would require a Personalised Learning Plan to be established by the support of the Educational Support Team and with the pupil's family and teacher, then continued to be implemented by the class teacher. It is the teacher's responsibility to maintain and allow provision for the child to work towards achieving their targets on their PLP.

### **Teaching Assistants**

- To have a working knowledge of Educational Needs of pupils they support
- Enhance access to each lesson by supporting in the reinforcing of pupil learning
- Make use of open questioning and encourage pupils to talk about their knowledge and understanding
- Provide opportunities for pupils to share ideas and demonstrate their knowledge and understanding
- Support pupils to stay on task
- Provide a balance between intervention and encouragement of pupil independence
- Know what the objectives for the lesson are and the teachers expected learning outcomes for pupils with SEND
- Plan with teachers for effective scaffolding of the curriculum
- Discuss jointly pupil progress and achievements

#### **Parents**

- To take an active interest in their child's education
- To listen to their child's worries and anxieties and to communicate any concerns with school so we can support pastorally
- Where needed, to support with prep and out-of-hours learning activities
- Ensure their child attends school regularly
- Inform their child's teacher if their child is worried about aspects of school life or work
- Request work from the school in instances where their child is likely to be absent for some time from school.

### And in response, parents should expect:

- Staff will value the contribution of parents/carers in relation to the knowledge they have about their own child
- Staff will respect and listen to the views of parents/carers
- The school will give the parents/carers the opportunity to consult with relevant staff
- Information about the school and their child's progress will be given regularly and in a manner that all parties are happy with, so communication is consistently clear
- Staff understand their child's SEN and/or medical needs
- If needed, support will be offered to direct to other sources of support and advice
- Their enquiries will be dealt with quickly

## **Pupils**

- Continuing to strive to achieve and maintain the LJS values
- Provide a positive role model for all pupils
- Accept and tolerate difference and diversity within our community
- Understand and be sensitive towards the feelings of others
- Work cooperatively with other pupils
- Show respect for adults and peers
- Make responsible choices in relation to behaviour and learning

## **External Professionals and Agencies**

We have a diverse range of learners at LJS. Where appropriate, we collaborate with external professionals—such as Paediatricians, Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Educational Psychologists, and Child Psychologists—to ensure tailored strategies are in place. Recommendations are discussed with the Educational Support Team, parents, and Form Teachers/Tutors, and a Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) is created when necessary to provide focused support. We also work with external specialists to deliver general training for staff and parents, ensuring that our provision reflects current best practice and that all pupils receive high-quality, effective support.

## More Able and Exceptionally Able

We are aware and proud of all children in our school and whilst we challenge all our learners at LJS, there are pupils who are able across the curriculum, as well as those who excel in one or more specific areas. We plan for those children who achieve, or have the ability to achieve, above average in one or more academic areas, including areas outside the main curriculum. Importantly, pupils who achieve at this level can also be part of the SEND or EAL pathway; we aim to provide opportunities for identified pupils to access optimal breadth and depth of learning and, as such, we aim to provide opportunities to develop specific skills and talents.

## Assess, Plan, Do, Review

At LJS, we implement the model of 'Assess, Plan, Do, Review' to consistently monitor, challenge and evaluate existing provision and its effect on the progress of an individual pupil. This is a constant cycle, rather than a linear progression, where the value of each invention or additional support is reviewed to ensure we are providing the pupil with the correct and most appropriate support. This is consistent across all year groups, from Reception through to Year 6. Open communication with staff and families is key from the beginning and throughout the process so that any misconceptions, worries or concerns can be discussed openly and understood by each party.

#### Assess

Teacher assessments, both formative and summative, happen throughout the year and provide the data which can support with building a picture of a child, but it is not the whole picture. The Educational Support Team, if needed, conduct more specialist testing in-house on an individual basis which can support in knowing more about the specifics of how a child learns. If needed, once we have worked through the process, external agencies may be contacted by the parent and with the support of the Educational Support team.

Pupils with SEND are identified as early as possible. Form Tutors are continually aware of pupils' learning and the progress of every child is monitored throughout the year. Where a child is identified or has been assessed as making less than expected progress, despite quality first teaching, they are raised as an initial concern with the Head of Educational Support.

According to the SEN Code of Practice (June 2014), less than expected progress can be characterised by progress which:

- Is significantly slower than their peers starting from the same baseline
- Fails to match or better the pupil's individual previous rate of progress
- Fails to close the attainment gap between the pupil and their peers
- Widens the attainment gap

There are four distinct categories of SEND need:

- Communication and Interaction
- Cognition and Learning
- Social, emotional and mental health
- Physical and sensory

Once a pupil has been identified with special educational needs in one or more of the above categories, the class teacher and/or Head of Educational Support will meet regularly with the parents to keep them informed of progress as part of the 'assess, plan, do, review' cycle; normally these will be three times a year. At every stage of the process, it is our aim to work in partnership with our parents and their child to secure the best possible outcomes.

#### Plan

Once the Head of Educational Support agrees with the teacher's concerns through observations, a plan of action will be made. In school, we have a team of experienced staff and resources to provide exceptional opportunities and ensure that the interventions we offer are specific and tailored to each individual. We work with individuals or with small groups, we then analyse and assess interventions on a termly basis. Then a review with the teacher and Head of Educational Support will highlight if the additional support has raised attainment of the pupil. Parents of children having additional educational support in the form of an intervention will always be notified by the class teacher and/or a member of the Educational Support Department.

#### Do

Wherever possible pupils will remain with their subject teacher as this is where they learn best, with the rest of their class. However, there are times when interventions need to be offered to support pupils in their learning. When any additional support is allocated - whether it is delivered by a teacher, Educational Support teacher or Teaching Assistant - the focus of all intervention will be on outcomes; our aim is to put in sufficient support to enable our pupils to reach challenging targets, but without developing a learned dependence upon an adult. At LJS, we find the most effective intervention is by working with a child or small group for a short period of time on a very specific focus. An example of this may be seeing an individual on a daily basis for 10-15 minutes to complete Toe-by-Toe, the Power of 2 or Word Wasp. These interventions are focused, specific and help to support gaps in knowledge.

#### **Review**

At the end of the first cycle, the progress of the pupil is reviewed. If the expected progress has been made, then the pupil will stop the cycle and will be monitored in their usual practice to see if the same progress can be made independently. If it can, any intervention from the Educational Support Team may stop. If, after the first stage of intervention, the expected progress has not been made and we believe we need to plan that further intervention and perhaps more specialist time is needed, this information is discussed with parents by the teacher with the support of the Educational Support Team and a plan of action is agreed.

### **SEND** in the EYFS

The Code of Practice 2014 includes children and young people from ages 0-25 and, although we are within the independent sector, it is used as the foundations and steering of our department. At Laxton Junior School, the same provision, opportunity, care and support is offered from EYFS up to Year 6 from the Educational Support Team. Each child is seen as an individual and if needed, their provision, targets and intervention is planned from as soon as they become part of the LJS family.

## **Adapting our Provision**

### Curriculum

Our curriculum is diverse and one that inspires a love of learning. When thinking of all the learners in our classrooms, the teaching staff at LJS are considerate and understanding of each learning style. Lessons are dynamic, engaging and appeal to a range of senses to ensure that everyone is included and their learning strengths are adhered to. Where needed, the Educational Support Team will support children and staff members with strategies of how pupils can best access the curriculum, such as verbally responding rather than writing, working through drama to improve speech and language and utilising the space outside of the classrooms.

#### Resources

As part of our QFT, teachers provide a range of tailored resources to support pupils in accessing the curriculum. Practical resources in all subject areas help pupils to be engaged, to use manipulatives to help take their thinking from the concrete to abstract level. Teaching staff provide real life examples to make the learning relevant to the world outside of the classroom. The Educational Support Team help by supporting with a range of resources on an individual, group or class level to ensure that all learners are having every opportunity to access their full potential. Pupils across the school can use specific pencils for supporting with grip, fine motor skill boxes to help with dexterity and strength, seat wedges to support with movement and fidget toys to help with concentration. We also work with external agencies to ensure we are providing the necessary resources for continued provision in school such as yoga balls for sitting and resistance bands on chair legs for supporting pupils' bodies.

#### **Assessment Processes**

All pupils are continually assessed throughout the school year, either through formative or summative assessments. As a staff, we know the normal working practice of each of our pupils, alongside any recommendations for Exam Access Arrangements from external agencies, and provide the same level of support in assessments. We want each assessment to be a true reflection of how a pupil works and these fit alongside teacher judgements to build up a rounded picture of the child.

## **Learning Environments**

Our learning environments take into account the learning styles of our pupils. Where possible, we use dyslexia friendly fonts on displays and in any paper copies of resources or on the class whiteboard. We use pastel-coloured presentations to reduce visual stress and we ensure our learning environments are calm and accessible to all, to reduce over stimulation. We are continually striving to ensure that our classrooms meet the needs of our pupils and this remains a continuous and evolving journey as we learn more about what works for the needs of our pupils at LJS.

### Co-Curriculum

We work together as a team to ensure that all pupils can assess each co-curricular opportunity by using open communication and working to create strategies which are inclusive to all. Extra support may be required for some pupils which can be provided for by an additional adult, a change in the equipment or resources provided or the location or learning environment for the activity. We are consistently striving to improve and take advice and support from a range of sources to ensure we are providing the best opportunities we can as a school for each of our pupils.

## **Ongoing Review**

The School regularly reviews the needs and progress of all pupils to ensure that appropriate support and provision are in place. If a child's needs change significantly, or it becomes clear that their needs cannot be fully met within the School's available resources, with reasonable adjustments in place, we will work closely with parents and relevant professionals to review provision and identify the most

effective ways to support the child. Where appropriate, and always with the child's best interests at the forefront, we may also discuss whether an alternative educational setting could better meet their needs. All such discussions and decisions will be approached collaboratively, transparently and with sensitivity.

### Admissions

#### **EYFS**

At LJS, we are an inclusive school and we work closely together as a team to identify new pupils who may potentially have a specific learning difference. The Educational Support Team work closely with the Head of Admissions and Communications and with the EYFS team during the induction process to learn about our new pupils and how we can best adapt the curriculum for them. We also work very closely together with the parents and any previous educational settings, such as nurseries, to professionally discuss any areas of development or learning a child may be finding challenging.

### **Other Year Groups**

Our Head of Admissions and Communications works closely with parents of new pupils coming into different year groups across the school. During that process, as an Educational Support Team we are contacted if a child has a specific diagnosis already, in the process of receiving one or finds a particular area of the curriculum a challenge. Best professional practice is if a new child to LJS has previously attended another educational setting, we receive information from them concerning the child. We can then use this, along with information from parents, to ensure that we are prepared to provide the best provision we can.

## **Transition**

#### Year on Year

We are aware of how difficult it can be at the end of a school year when a child has to say goodbye to their Form Tutor and move up to the next year group. Relationships and a strong bond are formed throughout the academic year and there is always a little apprehension of moving into a new class. At LJS, we take care in ensuring there is a smooth transition process, not only with 'Move Up Days' where pupils have an experience of their new class, but also with providing time for teaching staff to become very familiar with the learning history of their new pupils so they feel prepared, knowledgeable and empowered for the next academic year. It is important for us that every new year does not feel like the start of a new process. For families, we ensure that communication is clear and honest and we provide opportunities for parents to meet their child's new form tutor to ensure that the new team continues as smoothly as the previous year. The Educational Support Team helps throughout the process and are a vital resource in supporting the transition of pupils to their next year group.

#### Year 6 to Year 7

Moving on from a primary to senior educational setting is always a big change and one that takes time and careful consideration. LJS is the 4-11 setting for Oundle School; we are the primary years which in turn leads to the 11-18 setting for the senior school experience. For some of our pupils, Oundle is an excellent opportunity to continue their studies. We work exceptionally closely with the Educational Support Team at Oundle School and with Scott House (1st-2nd Form) to provide an effective and detailed handover regarding the provision we have provided at Laxton Junior and recommendations for the senior phase of their education. Parents and Form Tutors are involved every step of the way, so that as a team, the communication is clear and the transition is highly successful and beneficial for all involved.

Choosing the correct senior school for your child is an extremely important one and in our local area, we have a number of outstanding schools which all can provide an exceptional opportunity in your child's education journey. No matter which school you choose, or where you decide, we provide the same high level of handover. Just as we take care to ensure each of our members of staff are knowledgeable about their learners, we provide the same information to senior schools. We have meetings with Admissions Teams, Heads of Years and Head Teachers; every school works differently and at LJS, we take care to work with each school to our full capability.

## **Staff Training**

As a school, we are dedicated to ensuring that our staff have regular professional development. As part of this process, the Educational Support Team monitor the continued need of the pupils in our school and whether any specific training is necessary for themselves or additional staff members. On a daily basis, we work with staff members, by supporting in teaching strategies and specific learning targets and how these can be achieved. For whole staff training, we provide this ourselves as a team, during CPD as part of staff meetings and INSET days. We tailor our training to the needs of the pupils in our school to ensure they are safe, cared for and provided for in all areas of the curriculum.

## **Evaluating Effectiveness**

As the school expands, changes and develops, so does the needs of the pupils within the LJS family. We strive to ensure we are continually updating our resources, intervention programmes and our own skills through CPD so we are providing the best provision we can and making sure our knowledge and skills are up-to-date and relevant with current educational practice.

## **Monitoring**

This policy is reviewed by Head of Educational Support, supported by the Assistant Head Academic and agreed upon by the Head Teacher. Although LJS operates within the independent sector, this policy follows the guidelines set out by the DfE Code of Practice 2014. This policy is reviewed bi-annually, however, when needed, this policy can and will be edited more regularly to ensure it is in line with the best educational practice and guidelines.

## **Linked Policies**

This policy links to the following:

- Accessibility Plan
- Admissions Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Curriculum Policy
- EAL Policy
- Equal Opportunities Policy
- EYFS Policy
- Marking and Feedback Policy
- Teaching and Learning Policy

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