

## **SEN Information Report**

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College Offer: Can be found on our website

### **Whole College Approach to Teaching and Learning:**

- High Quality Teaching and Learning – All teachers are responsible for the learning and progress of every child in their class, including those with SEN.
- An inclusive, differentiated and personalised approach to enable all learners, including those with SEN, to engage with all aspects of College life.
- Refer to Teaching and Learning Policy

### **Our Graduated Response for Learners:**

- Continual monitoring of the quality of teaching
- Identifying and tracking the progress of children/young people that require support to catch up through a wide range of classroom based strategies and a formal termly review cycle of data collection and review (RAG meetings)
- Identification of children/young people requiring SEN Support and initiation of “assess, plan, do, review” cycle.
- Consideration of application for Education, Health and Care Plan.
- All children/young people identified as requiring SEN Support, or with an Education, Health and Care Plan (or Statement) are on our Record of Need.

### **How we identify children/young people that need additional or different provision:**

- Class teachers can refer to DSEnCo using trigger form
- Ongoing curriculum assessments
- Tracking progress data
- Parental request leading to assessment
- Further assessments by specialists, including those from external agencies

We take a holistic approach in all aspects of a child’s development and well-being. Our pastoral support arrangements for supporting the social and emotional development of all children/young people, including those with DSEN, is set out in our College Offer.

Our measures to prevent bullying can be seen in our Anti-bullying policy.

### **How we listen to the views of children/young people and their parents:**

<b><u>What</u></b>	<b><u>Who</u></b>	<b><u>When</u></b>
Informal Discussions	Class teachers, form tutors, HoPs, TA's, Champions, Pastoral Support team, students, parents, carers	Ongoing
Parents' Evenings	Teachers, parents, carers, students	As calendared, at least annually depending on year group
Assess, Plan, Do, Review meetings	DSEN team members, students, parents, carers	Termly (more frequently for TACs)
Student Council	Students (tutor groups, year groups, whole college), staff	Half termly
Student Support	Pastoral team, outside agents, students	Student led, as required
Parents' Information Evenings	Staff, students, parents	As calendared, depending on Year group; e.g. Tasters lessons - Year 7; options process, Year 9/11
Social Media	Parents, students	Ongoing through Twitter and Facebook
TAC meetings	Students, staff, families and professionals	As required for individual students
Student survey (online and focus groups)	Students	Annually
Parent survey	Parents	Annually

### **The Assess, Plan, Do, Review Cycle:**

For children/young people on our Record of Need, an Assess, Plan, Do, Review cycle is established by the College, in partnership with the child/young person, their parents and key staff. Please see our SEN Policy for further details.

This year, provision made for children/young people on our Record of Need has been:

- Communication and Interaction – Pathfinders, 1-1 Champion Support, Small Group Champion Support, support from relevant professionals (outside agencies – e.g. Hearing Support); access to ICT to aid learning (personal laptops).
- Cognition and Learning – RWI, DRIVE, small group interventions in English and Maths; after College clubs in other subject areas; 1:1 Champion support (mentoring and advocacy).
- Social, Emotional and Mental Health – Pathfinders; Pastoral Support team (including trained counsellors); 1-1 and small group support from outside agents including, but not exhaustively, CAMHS, Hear our Voice, Brook, YZUP, Phoenix Project, transgender support service, Early Help Team including Youth Support Service and Penhaligon's Friends.
- Sensory and/or Physical Needs – outside agency support (e.g. Hearing Support Team, Visual Support Team; Careers service; Community College Nurse; Occupational Therapist).

During the 2015/2016 academic year, we had 152 students receiving SEN Support and 22 students with Education, Health and Care Plans, or Statements of Educational Need.

We monitor the quality of this provision by:

Regular lesson observations, learning walks, book scrutinies and a planned cycle of regular progress and data reviews.

We measure the impact of this provision by the progress our students make against aspirational academic targets.

### **Support Staff Deployment:**

Support staff are deployed in a number of roles:

- In class TA support
- Learning Champions – student mentoring and advocacy
- Pastoral support roles – student support and counselling

We monitor the quality and impact of this support by student feedback, progress in line with expected outcomes (specifically academic and broader targets e.g. attendance and behaviour), improvements in well-being; and attitude to self, others and learning.

### **Distribution of Funds for SEN:**

The budget was allocated in the following ways:

- Support staff
- External Services (See College Offer)
- Teaching and Learning resources
- Staff training

### **Continuing Development of Staff Skills:**

<b><u>Area of Knowledge/Skill</u></b>	<b><u>Delivering Staff Member</u></b>	<b><u>Staff receiving training</u></b>
ADHD	E McFadden	5
Dyslexia	C Bloor	
Deaf Awareness	D Lewis, S Wardle	10
SEN/Inclusion	D Lewis	8

Whole College training this year has included deaf awareness and staff responsibility, as outlined in our code of practice and implications for classroom practice.

We monitor the impact of this training by staff feedback and the effectiveness of teaching and learning.

### **Partnerships with other schools and how we manage transitions:**

We work with a number of schools in the area in the following ways:

- Primary Liaison
- Post 16 links

This year, 37 students requiring SEN Support came to us from our partner schools, including 2 students with Education, Health and Care Plans. 15 students on our Record of Need in 2014/15 made a successful move to local P16 providers and 1 student with an EHCP went to university.

The transition from Year 6 to secondary school is supported through a series of taster sessions throughout the year and 2 whole 'transition days' in the summer term. These were supplemented by additional visits for students who required additional support in this process. 10 students were supported through additional transition visits this year. These students were selected in consultation with primary feeder schools and parents.

Young people making decisions about their Key Stage 4 subjects are supported by Careers South West and an independent adviser, bought in by the College.

We work with Sixth Form/College staff, to ensure that young people are prepared for transition from school to further education or training. We do this by sharing information and supported visits, where necessary.

Parents are included in this process through parent information evenings and additional meetings or visits as necessary.

### **Ongoing development:**

We work hard to ensure that any areas of support for our learners which can be improved are identified and that strategies are put in place to make those improvements. We do this through our DSEN Quality Improvement Plan.

### **Our complaints procedure:**

Anyone wishing to register a concern with regard to SEN support and provision should contact Mr Lewis in the first instance. The Complaints Policy is on our website.

This year we received 2 complaints with regard to SEN support and provision.

### **Other relevant information and documents:**

The Designated Safeguarding Lead in our College is David Lewis (Assistant Headteacher)

The Designated Children in Care person in our College is David Lewis (Assistant Headteacher)

The Local Authority's Offer can be found at [www.cornwallfisdirectory.org.uk](http://www.cornwallfisdirectory.org.uk)

Our Accessibility Plan is available on request.

The College Development plan can be found on our website.

Our SEN Policy and College Offer (our contribution to the Local Offer) can be accessed via the links on our website.

Our SEN Policy, College Offer and Information Report have been written in accordance with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, the Equality Act 2010 and the Children and Families Act 2014.