SEND Further Information for Parents & Carers



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Transition

Mrs Percy (SENCo) will visit primary school pupils during the transition process to secondary school, whose teachers have identified a need for additional support. Individual plans and support will be negotiated for these children. Pupils may be identified as having additional needs at any stage of their time at Queen Elizabeth's and the same support structures are put in place for those children.



Transition Support

A parent friendly package of digital resources can be found at the link below:

https://www.meadowfield.kent.sch.uk/midas-and-stls/stls-resources/stls-school-digital-transition-pack/positive-transitions-digital-resources-pack-for-parents/



Reasonable Adjustments

As a school we wish every pupil to take part in all aspects of school life where possible and to avoid placing anyone at substantial disadvantage where reasonable steps can be taken to avoid this. In order to facilitate this, meetings will be arranged with the pupil, parents, school staff and other agencies involved, to plan care and support for activities outside of normal lesson structure. We will then put in place the agreed steps which will be the safest and most proportionate means of avoiding the disadvantage.

Long term medical needs

At Queen Elizabeth's we are fortunate in having staff who will volunteer to be trained in the administration of medication or medical procedures to support the inclusion of students with complex medical needs. All staff have a duty of care towards all pupils; however the responsibility for issuing or dispensing medication remains with parents in all cases. Parents are asked to sign a document giving permission for medication to be administered in loco parentis by any member of staff, in an emergency situation. Parents remain responsible for knowing the expiry date of any medication held in school and replenishing supplies as necessary.

Support for students with illness

Occasionally pupils develop serious illness which means they cannot attend school regularly or full time for a period. Queen Elizabeth's has established links with The Rosewood School (https://trs.kent.sch.uk/) and is able to work closely with parents and the County Attendance Service to provide the best access to the curriculum possible in these circumstances. If your child is affected in this way, please speak with their Head of Year and the SENCo at the earliest opportunity.

Should your child incur a temporary injury such as a broken arm or which requires the use of crutches, school will make reasonable adjustments to help them continue to access as much of the curriculum as possible. This may include being taken upstairs in the lift, spending time in Student Support or providing photocopies of lesson notes.

Education Health Care Plans - EHCP

Some children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) will be given additional support from school to meet their needs.

Queen Elizabeth's does meet the needs of students with an EHCP across each of the four categories. Once your child has passed the Kent Test, the Local Authority then makes the decision on the admission of students to Queen Elizabeth's with an EHCP.

Please contact Mrs Percy (SENCo) if you would like to discuss an EHCP for your child.

STLS & MIDAS



Students and their families have access to the Specialist Teaching & Learning Service based at Meadowfield School through MIDAS.

Parents & Guardians can access a range of workshops to access support.

Please click on the link above to access the latest courses.

https://www.meadowfield.kent.sch.uk/midas-and-stls/



Useful Websites

ASC

https://www.autism.org.uk/

ADHD

https://www.adhdfoundation.org.uk/information/parents/

Dyslexia

https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/advice/children/how-can-i-support-my-child

Dyspraxia

https://dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk/

Tourette Syndrome

https://www.tourettes-action.org.uk/



KCC SEND Information Hub

Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) SEND information hub Here to help and support you

https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs

