

Communication, Speech and Language at Brookfields



At Brookfields we adopt a Total Communication approach to Speech and Language teaching and learning. We use a range of strategies daily to support all pupils with their Communication, Interaction and Language skills. Please refer to our Pre-Phonics Statement and RWInc Phonics statement for further information regarding the approaches we use.

As a school we use expert Speech and Language services commissioned by Halton Borough Council and NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board.

Communicate SLT Community Interest Company (CIC), use their expert knowledge to assess and review our pupils, providing them with appropriate and relevant speech and language targets and care plans which can be used in school and at home to ensure a consistent approach to language and communication. Speech and Language therapists, along with assistants, come into school and work closely with our staff teams, to establish appropriate and long lasting modes of communication for our children, supporting them to make progress towards achieving their EHCP outcomes.

Furthermore we work with external speech and language therapists to support our children to develop and progress with their communication and language skills. Jane, from Jane Mullen Speech and Language comes into school to assess the SALT learning needs of pupils, creating care plans for staff to follow. Jude from Jane Mullen Speech and Language then works in school throughout the week. She supports all pupils with their communication needs, delivers direct therapy to pupils on a 1:1, and supports AAC and Total Communication throughout the school. Alongside this, she leads a variety of Social and Emotional groups, RSE and puberty sessions and games groups, all of which focus on the core element of Communication, Interaction and Language development. Jude, with Jane, delivers CPD to all school staff and Jude offers workshops to support parents, families and careers with their child's communication needs.

The partnerships and links between Families, School and Speech and Language Therapists is paramount when considering the SALT outcomes for children. Please contact school or the relevant SALT agency if you require further assistance with the Communication, Interaction and Language needs of your child.

Kind regards,

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For further information regarding **Communicate Speech and Language** please see the webpage below

<https://communicate-slt.org.uk/>

For further information regarding our therapists from Jane Mullen SALT please see the webpage below

<https://www.janespeechtherapy.co.uk/>