# **SEN** and **Disability**

# **Local Offer: Primary Settings**

Mainstream, Short Stay Schools, Special Schools and Academies

Name of School: Kirkham & Wesham Primary School Number: 04039



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| School/Academy<br>Name and Address  | Kirkham and<br>Wesham<br>Primary<br>School,<br>Nelson Street<br>Kirkham |     | Telephone<br>Number<br>Website<br>Address | 01772 682866<br>www.kirkhamwesham.lanc.sch.uk |            |  |
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| Does the school<br>specialise in<br>meeting the needs<br>of children with a<br>particular type of<br>SEN? | No<br>X   | Yes | lf y                                      | es, please giv                                | e details: |  |
| What age range of<br>pupils does the<br>school cater for?   | 4 -11   |     |   |   |            |  |
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We want to ensure that we keep your information up-to-date. To help us to do this, please provide the name and contact details of the person/role responsible for maintaining details of the Local Offer for your school/academy.

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# **Promoting Good Practice and Successes**

I confirm that our Local Offer has now been published on the school/academy website.

| Please give the URL<br>for the direct link to<br>your school's Local<br>Offer | www.kirkhamwesham.lancs.sch.uk       |      |         |  |  |  |
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| Name  | Kirkham and Wesham<br>Primary School | Date | 23/9/22 |  |  |  |

# Accessibility and Inclusion

### What the school provides

To ensure all access for pupils and parents with disabilities the school has ensured that all doorways and entrances to the school via the Infant Department and Main entrance are on a single level and wide enough to accommodate a wheelchair if necessary. The office area has a lowered hatch area which is more accessible for disabled visitors. We have an accessible disabled toilet which is available for wheelchair users if the need should arise. Parking is on the street or to the back of the school with no designated disabled bay.

Information is available on the school website and a parent notice board in the Junior playground, in addition to regular newsletters. Policies and procedures are on the school website and are given to parents when requested. We can provide different font sizes if necessary and would provide audio information if requested. We make personal provision for families with additional needs we are aware of.

All resources are appropriate for the age and ability of our children and they have equal access to them. Furniture is modern and of a suitable height appropriate to the age group of children being taught in that classroom. We gain access to any specialist equipment if necessary.

The school has a range of ICT programmes for pupils with SEN in addition to IPADs, headphones, laptops, computers and interactive whiteboards installed in every classroom. A range of ICT programmes are used to support children with SEN.

Every effort is made to ensure that specialist equipment is available to enable all children, regardless of their disability, to have access to the curriculum.

# Teaching and Learning

#### What the school provides

- Early identification is essential. Where there are concerns, these are shared with the SENCo, parents and, where appropriate, the child. Identification of SEN children is initialised through observations and internal tracking documents.
- Staff always try to maintain an open dialogue with parents. We have an open door
  policy and parents are encouraged to drop in to speak with staff. Any concerns can be
  considered quickly and effectively. If it is decided that an assessment is required to
  identify specific areas of support, school buys in the services of outside agencies, such
  as Specialist Teachers, Educational Psychologists etc.
- The class teacher and SENCo will assess and monitor the progress of pupils with SEN.
- The SENCo will work closely with parents and teachers to plan an appropriate programme of intervention and support.
- Children with SEN are encouraged to achieve their maximum potential in line with all pupils in our school. Children with SEN are monitored regularly and this is formally recorded and monitored on a termly basis through their Individual Learning Plan.
- Support is provided in all classrooms depending on the needs of the pupils in individual classes.
- Staff receive training in order to fulfil their role to the highest possible standard.

- Staff are encouraged to keep abreast of current teaching and learning training and regularly attend professional development courses.
- Individual pupil progress is monitored, including the type and duration of an intervention programme. Throughout school we use our own internal monitoring systems which provides data and tracks the progress of our pupils with SEN.
- We have excellent links with SENCo's from the local secondary schools which ensures that at key transition times, close liaison can ensure a smooth transition between ourselves and the chosen secondary school of the child.
- SEN and disability awareness training is provided by the school nurse or other outside agencies when required.
- Each class has at least one teaching assistant (TA).
- We buy in support from Specialist Teachers and receive support when required.
- When sitting tests, children with SEN are supported in a number of ways, e.g. 1:1 support, rest breaks, application for additional time or a reader where allowed. Scribes can also be provided as can the opportunity for a child to sit the test in an appropriate area.

# **Reviewing and Evaluating Outcomes**

### What the school provides

- Each child on an EHCP has an annual review meeting. Parents and other professionals involved in the care of the child are asked to attend the meeting however if this is not possible then their contribution in written form is requested.
- The child is also asked to contribute to the review and express his/her feelings of how they feel that they are doing and what they hope for in the future. This will be done either verbally, in written format or through the use of IT or another format the child is comfortable using.
- A summary is provided for all involved after the meeting has taken place. This highlights targets for the future, any actions to be taken as a result of the meeting and recommendations about any changes in support going forwards. Amendments are then made to the EHCP.
- The school has a monitoring system in place to evaluate the effectiveness of any provision put in place for all SEN children. This includes progress meetings, monitoring and tracking of intervention programmes, talking with pupils and staff and evaluating provision maps and Individual Learning Plans.
- The school keeps a regularly updated list of all children who have additional needs in school and who require extra help / support. This list is updated termly
- Each child with special educational needs has an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) which summarises the child's strengths and also targets for development. It then outlines the support in place for them to help achieve their targets. These plans are written by the class teacher and pupil, with input from the SENCo, TA's and parents as appropriate. ITP's are monitored regularly and reviewed on a termly basis.

# Keeping Children Safe

## What the school provides

- The Head and other members of the teaching staff complete whole school risk assessments annually.
- Class teachers complete risk assessments for any educational visits of off-site activities using Lancashire Evolve. These are monitored by the EVC coordinator.
- Subject specific risk assessments are carried out by the Head / subject leaders as required. E.g. DT, Science etc.
- Careful attention is made to child/adult ratios on school visits and children with specific needs have an appropriate adult identified.
- During morning break supervision is always by a Teacher with additional support available from a Teaching assistant. Additional staff supervise children with SEND where appropriate.
- At lunchtime a team of welfare staff are supported by teaching assistants who support the children with additional needs where appropriate.
- Parents can access the anti-bullying policy via the school website or on request from the school office.
- DBS checks are carried out on all staff in school.
- There are Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) in school lead by the Head teacher. Training is updated regularly for all staff and governors.
- Regular Health and Safety audits take place.
- Whistle blowing policy in place.
- Door Lock system in place.

# Health (including Emotional Health and Wellbeing)

### What the school provides

All medicine is recorded with details of dosage and frequency and parents sign to grant authorisation to the school to administer to their child. All medication is stored safely in locked areas and according to specifications. Asthma cards and inhalers are stored in each classroom to allow immediate access when needed. An asthma log is also kept with it and this is completed by an adult when the inhaler is used.

Care plans are completed with parents and the school nurse if necessary. We ensure all relevant staff are aware of plans and that training has been provided where necessary. All care plans are reviewed annually, or more frequently if there is a change in circumstances alongside health professionals and parent. Care plans are passed on to the relevant Class Teacher and the master copy is kept in the school office.

All support staff are kept regularly up to date with First Aid Training to ensure they are familiar with what action to take in the event of an emergency. In addition, Epilepsy and Epipen training has been provided by the School Nurse to ensure the relevant staff are conversant with the appropriate action or medical procedure required.

# **Communication with Parents**

#### What the school provides

- The school website has a list of all staff with their role within school, it also has a list of Governors.
- The school operates an 'open door' policy and staff always try to make themselves available to parents either in person or over the phone.
- Our School Prospectus is available on the website, and signposts to relevant staff, including the SENCo. Where SEND needs are highlighted during the admissions process, or concerns are raised by Nursery/Pre-School and/or parents, the Reception teacher and SENCO will visit the Nursery environment and attend Transition Reviews.
- School holds Parents Evenings, one in the Autumn and a second one in the Spring Term, when parents can discuss the progress of their child. A written report is sent to parents at the end of the school year.
- A Parental feedback form accompanies each child's annual report. The comments are analysed and feedback is given to parents based on the comments received.
- New reception parents are invited to attend an induction evening in the June before their child starts school, where they can meet staff and vice versa. Children have the opportunity to visit the school on a number of occasions through induction sessions.
- The induction process also includes visits to local nurseries / preschools.
- Children who have already been identified as having additional needs by their nursery / pre-school, are invited to a transition meeting before the child starts in September.
- Children who have ILP's have termly meetings with the class teacher to discuss the progress being made towards their targets and to set the future priorities for the child.
- Staff provide weekly class updates to parents via Class dojo
- The headteacher provides a weekly update which is available to all parents via Class Dojo.

# **Working Together**

#### What the school provides

- Our school has a School Council that meets regularly throughout the term. These pupil
  representatives have the opportunity to influence specific elements of school life e.g.
  playground activities, fundraising etc
- In addition to the School Council, we also have an Eco committee, Fairtrade Committee and Prefects.
- Pupil voice is important to us and pupils are asked for feedback on curriculum initiatives and how provision can be improved.
- Parents are actively encouraged to get involved in the life of the school and are regularly invited to take part in a variety of activities, eg. Reading with pupils, school librarian, supporting out of school visits etc. Parents are provided with opportunities to become part of the Governing Body and their involvement and commitment to this is valued.
- The Governing Body ensures that other agencies are involved in meeting the needs of pupils with SEN and supporting their families. The SEN Governor meets regularly with the Senco to ensure that the appropriate agencies are involved. We liaise regularly and meet with Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, School Nurse, Paediatricians and Educational Psychologist.

• Each family signs a Home School Agreement prior to their child starting school which details clear information about roles and responsibilities on both the school and parent's part.

# What help and support is available for the family?

#### What the school provides

- We are very supportive of families and employ a full time Learning Mentor who is available to offer any support and guidance needed to families. We know that some families need extra help with form filling and this can be requested from the class teacher or Senco who will endeavour to support parents or refer them to another school professional.
- The school has good links with Lancashire Information Advice Service who are also available to support families. Parents can request additional support or advice during the Annual Review and also at any time throughout the year.
- A school newsletter is published on a weekly basis to inform parents of upcoming events. It is also used to signpost parents to other groups, facilities and support that may be available in the local area.

# Transition to Secondary School

#### What the school provides

- Each year pupils visit their forthcoming secondary school for taster sessions and also secondary teachers from the local schools visit to help ease transition from Year 6 to Year 7.
- When a child has specific needs, a member of our school staff can visit the new setting with the child and additional preparations can be made to ease transition, e.g. taking photographs and familiarising with rooms etc.
- Members of the secondary school staff and the SENCo are invited to attend SEND transition meetings within our school.
- The class teacher provides transition documents to the high school in the spring term once places are finalised.
- The class teacher liaises with the transition teacher from the high schools to share relevant information.
- The class teacher liaises with the SENCo to share information about children with SEND.
- PSHE work focusses around supporting children with transition.

# **Extra Curricular Activities**

#### What the school provides

• We offer childcare before and after school. This is from 8am to 5.45pm and is provided by B & A Club. This is available to all children.

- There are a range of extra-curricular activities available for children in our school. Some are available to all children and others are age specific. Some of the activities are run by school staff and are therefore free of charge. Others are run by outside providers so there is an appropriate charge.
- The school also provides opportunities for children to learn a musical instrument. Lessons are provided for clarinet, violin, flute, saxophone and brass. These are provided by peripatetic teachers and a charge is made for lessons and if necessary the hire of the instrument.
- All children in Year 5 are able to learn an instrument.
- To help children make friends, they are encouraged to take part in the clubs provided.
- The importance of friendship is also reinforced in PHSE work within the classroom and also through assemblies.
- We provide a residential trip in upper Key Stage 2, this is tailored to meet the needs of all our pupils ensuring accessibility and inclusion for all. The cost of a residential visit varies but again we endeavour to keep costs to a minimum.
- Children entering Reception are assigned a Buddy from Year 1. This has been very successful in ensuring that the new children quickly become settled and make friends in their new school.

## Feedback

### What is the feedback mechanism

- The school operates an 'open door' policy where parents are encouraged to speak with school staff regarding their concerns.
- Parent's evenings and review meetings also give parents an opportunity to raise any issues.
- Feedback can also be given via the school website, facebook, email and telephone.
- Parental questionnaires are sent out throughout the school year and feedback is given.
- Parents are encouraged to contact staff via Class Dojo