



SCISSETT MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to you to introduce myself as SENDCO at Scissett Middle School. As your child is listed as requiring some form of specific support, I wanted to ensure that you were familiar with key members of staff who will be supporting them over the course of the academic year.

Our SEND support team is comprised of 5 Educational Teaching Assistants who support teachers within the setting to ensure that all pupils, including those with identified additional needs, have full access to the curriculum offer. In addition to this, we have 4 Higher Level Teaching Assistants who support predominantly in Maths, English and Inclusion and run various bespoke interventions for pupils as directed by myself, subject or pastoral leaders. We have 1 Specialist Intervention Worker, who completes some more targeted support in order to meet the more complex requirements that some of our children have. This is usually directed work from the Local Authority under Educational Health Care Plans.

Inclusive practice is our key policy and we aim to support children within the classroom environment. We want to ensure that our SEND pupils have their needs met/barriers broken down in such a way that they have access to the same learning experience as their peers. There may be occasions when a specific need is identified and where a more bespoke intervention in a small group setting or on a 1:1 basis is required. Should your child be involved in this form of intervention, you will be informed and given the opportunity to discuss this support in place. I have enclosed a copy of our intervention menu to read so you are aware of the support we are able to offer.

Over the course of this term, I will be contacting parents to discuss how your child has settled into the new academic year and to share the learning support plan in place. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

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I look forward to working with your children and supporting their learning journey at Scissett Middle School.

Yours sincerely

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Rachael Onnis
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