

Our Enhanced Provision for Deaf children

At Tany's Dell school we have an Enhanced Provision for deaf children. We offer highly qualified staff to support deaf children throughout the school from Nursery to Year 6. We have two specialist Qualified Teacher's of the Deaf (QToD) and experienced staff who specialise in working with hearing impaired children. We use a child-centred communication approach using speech and sign language (Signed Supported English and British Sign Language). We work both in mainstream classes and also offer specialist withdrawal lessons and small group work in Base Camp. Our aim is to provide each child with a safe, inclusive environment to enable them to reach their full potential. All children are fully included in mainstream activities.

Communication Support for pupils

The Enhanced Provision at Tany's Dell Primary School follows a child centred approach to communication and as such, staff will use either one of *or* a combination of the following communication methods when supporting individual pupils in class:

- *Spoken English (with necessary amplification equipment in place – see above)
- *Sign Supported English (SSE)
- *British Sign Language (BSL)

Children will have access to a trained member of staff to support them with their learning.

What does our provision offer?

- It enables children to contribute positively to the school and wider community.
- A place alongside their peers in a language-rich, mainstream classroom.
- 1:1 individual work or small group work when needed with a QTOD.
- Daily audiology checks and audiology support with a QTOD for children and parents.
- Deaf awareness and social and emotional support for HI/deaf children.
- Teaching and learning environment that meets Building Bulletin 93 requirements.
- One plans created by a QTOD to further support children's learning.
- Transitional support for between EYFS, KS1 and KS2 and moving on to Secondary school.
- QTOD working alongside Class Teachers to support deaf children in class.
- Opportunity for children to take part in events in the wider community with other deaf children.
- Parent consultations with Class Teacher and QTOD. We operate an open-door policy where parents are able to contact us either through email or book an appointment.
- We work with parents and other professionals to ensure that Educational Health Care Plans(EHCP) are being fulfilled.

We also have a strong working relationships with: -

- *Essex Teachers of the Deaf
- * Specialised Speech and Language Therapist (SALT)
- * British Sign Language Instructor.
- *Children's Hearing Services Working Support group (CHSWSG).

Our Staff

Mrs Brignal	Head of Enhanced Provision/Qualified Teacher of the Deaf	PG dip/QToD/ BSL Level 2
Miss Reay	Qualified Teacher of the Deaf	MEd /QToD/ BSL Level 2
Miss Hannington	Specialist Support Learning assistant	BSL Level 2
Mrs Hall	Specialist Support Learning assistant	BSL level 1
Miss Brown	Specialist Support Learning assistant	BSL Level 1

Visits to the school are always welcome.

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