

Moss Hall Schools Federation

Special Educational Needs Information Report

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1. WHAT TYPE OF SCHOOL IS THE MOSS HALL SCHOOLS FEDERATION (INFANTS AND JUNIORS)?

The Moss Hall Schools Federation is a mainstream school which provides education for 5 - 11 year olds. We believe that all children should have access to a broad and balanced education, with high quality teaching which gives them the opportunity to realise their full potential and achieve success. For some children this will mean the school overcoming potential barriers to their learning and making special provision within the curriculum to meet their individual needs.

Children may have special educational needs either throughout or at any time during their school career. The school ensures that curriculum planning and assessment for children with special educational needs takes account of the type and extent of the difficulty experienced by the child.

The SEND policy outlines the framework for the Moss Hall School Federation to meet its duties and obligations to provide a high quality education to all of its children, including children with special educational needs and / or disabilities. Once a potential SEN has been identified, the graduated approach ie the Assess, Plan Do and Review cycle is used to work towards meeting the child's needs.

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Moss Hall Infant School

2. WHAT TYPE OF SEND IS PROVIDED AT THE MOSS HALL SCHOOLS FEDERATION?

We are a very inclusive pair of schools providing for the following areas of SEND:

Communication and Interaction

- Speech, Language and Communication Need (SLCN)
- Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC)

Cognition and Learning

- Moderate Learning Difficulties (MLD)
- Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD)
- Specific Learning Difficulties including Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Dyspraxia

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties (SEMH)

- Including behaviour caused by underlying issues, eg depression, eating disorders
- Attachment Deficit Disorder (ADD)
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Attachment difficulties

Sensory and /or Physical Needs

- Visual Impairment (VI)
- Hearing Impairment (HI)
- Physical Disability

(SEN Code of Practice 2014)

3. OUR APPROACH TO TEACHING CHILDREN WITH SEND AT MOSS HALL - Including adaptations to the curriculum and learning environment.

The SEND inclusion jigsaw teaching strategy*:

The SEND inclusion jigsaw makes sure planning and implementation meets the needs of all learners, and builds in high expectations for everyone.

The jigsaw diagram outlines nine key elements of the SEND inclusion jigsaw teaching strategy. It fosters inclusive high-quality teaching for pupils with SEND as the different pieces of the puzzle represents high quality teaching for all.

All children have access to:

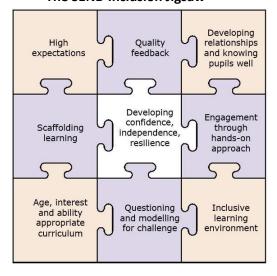
- Quality First Teaching
- Intervention in class
- Withdrawal small group and 1:1
- Personalised targets
- Resources
- Marking and feedback
- Year groups plan together and adapt the curriculum where necessary.

This forms part of what is described as 'Ordinarily Available'. Barnet's Local Offer states that 'Ordinarily available provision is what is made for children whose special educational provision can be reasonably provided from the resources ordinarily available to the school. This also includes the graduated response, (Assess, Plan, Do and Review cycle) through which children and young people, placed at SEN Support have their needs met.

Adapting the curriculum is the process by which differences between children are accommodated so that all children have the best possible chance of learning.

Adaptation can be through:

- Task differentiated to meet the Learning Objective with smaller steps
- Resources photos, pictures, word banks, 3D equipment
- Grouping matching similar learners together and mixed ability groups
- Support using additional adults
- Outcome expectation of work completed is different
- Pace adapted to meet the needs of the child
- Dialogue varied language /vocabulary used
- Input in a small group



* Nathalie Packer June 2019

The SEND Inclusion Jigsaw

• Scaffolding

Scaffolding can only be provided through interaction - this is why it is NOT differentiation, help or support as these don't necessarily involve adult interaction.

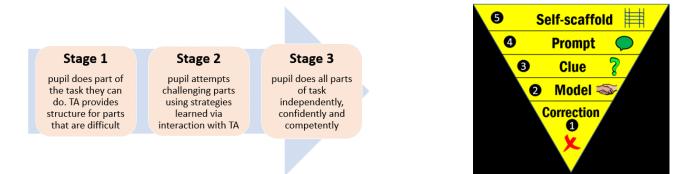
Scaffolding recognises smaller learning goals

It provides

- specific prompts and clues
- the least amount of help

And

• it involves careful observations of pupils' performances



4. HOW DO WE IDENTIFY CHILDREN WITH SEN AND IDENTIFY THEIR NEEDS?

A child has a learning difficulty or disability if she/he

• has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age;

or

• has a disability which prevents or hinders him/her from making use of facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age.

Children and Families Act 2014

Children at Moss Hall are identified as having special educational needs through a variety of ways including the following:

- Child working below age related expectations
- Concerns raised by parent/carer
- Concerns raised by teacher
- Consultation between class teachers and members of the leadership team where pupil progress is discussed
- Inclusion Manager may observe the child in class, use standard assessment tools and /or refer to outside professionals or seek further advice
- Liaison with outside agencies, for example Educational Psychology Service or Speech and Language Therapists (with permission of parent/carer).

When a teacher has a concern about a child, we use a graduated response:

Stage 1: Classroom Monitoring and Meeting with Parent/Carer

Stage 2: School Support - Initial Concern and Provision Tracker including Extra Provision & Strategies

Stage 3: School SEN Support - Individual Learning Support Plan

Stage 4: Referral for Assessment

Stage 5: Application for EHCP – Education Health Care Plan

See Appendix 1 for more information about the graduated response to SEN Support at MHSF

5. HOW ARE THE SCHOOL'S RESOURCES ALLOCATED AND MATCHED TO CHILDREN'S SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS?

The school receives funding to respond to the needs of pupils with SEND from a number of sources that includes:

- A proportion of the funds allocated per pupil to the school to provide for their education called the Age Weighted Pupil Unit.
- The Notional SEN budget. This is a fund devolved to schools to support them to meet the needs of pupils with SEND.
- For those pupils with the most complex needs requiring an EHCP, the school may be allocated additional educational needs funding from the Local Authority's High Needs SEN Funding allocation.
- Funding is limited and resources are prioritised according to need.

6. HOW WE SECURE EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES TO SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH SEN

Moss Hall Junior's building is fully accessible for wheel chairs users as follows:

- Fully accessible building
- 4 accessible toilets
- A disabled refuge point on the top floor of the Year 6 block
- Equipment to evacuate wheel chairs users in the event of a fire
- ICT equipment and practical equipment are available to support children's learning
- For additional equipment funding is secured from the school's SEN budget or from bids for external funding
- For specialist equipment, the Inclusion Manager liaises closely with the child's family and the appropriate external agency to ensure the correct equipment/resource is bought

Moss Hall Infant's building is fully accessible for wheel chairs users as follows:

- Fully accessible building
- 2 accessible toilets (Adults) & 1 for children
- ICT equipment and practical equipment are available to support children's learning
- For additional equipment funding is secured from the school's SEN budget or from bids for external funding
- For specialist equipment, the Inclusion Manager liaises closely with the child's family and the appropriate external agency to ensure the correct equipment/resource is bought

7. HOW WE CONSULT WITH AND INVOLVE PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH SEN IN THE EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILD

- Regular formal meetings SEN meetings are held to discuss the Learning Support Plan and progress of children with SEN. These are attended by parent/carer, class teacher and the Inclusion Manager.
 - EHC Plan annual review
 - termly Parent/Carer Pupil Progress Meetings
- Less formal meetings staff are in the playground at the end of the school day
- By appointment all school staff are available to meet parents/carers
- Curriculum evenings open to all parents/carers
- School trips open to all parents/carers
- Within school activities open to all parents/carers
- Parent/Carer Forum termly, open to all parents/carers

8. HOW WE CONSULT WITH AND INVOLVE CHILDREN WITH SEN IN THEIR EDUCATION

- The class teacher meets the child to discuss progress towards SMART targets and discusses new targets
- Children with an EHC Plan complete a 'My views to be included in the annual review' and attend part of the annual review meeting when appropriate
- Through pupil conferencing

9. HOW WE ASSESS AND REVIEW CHILDREN'S PROGRESS TOWARDS OUTCOMES

- The Inclusion Manager attends the Pupil Progress meetings with the Headship team and class teacher
- Individual, personalised targets are set for the children with special needs. These are Specific, Measureable, Achievable, Relevant, Time limited (SMART) targets.
- Targets are shared and refined with parent/carer during the Learning Support Plan (LSP) termly meeting.
- Targets are shared with the child to help them understand what they need to be working towards.
- Specific suggested activities are shared with the parent/carer in addition to year group home learning tasks to help the child make progress towards his/her targets.
- Targets are reviewed termly and next steps set.

10. HOW WE EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF ITS PROVISION FOR CHILDREN WITH SEN

We measure impact by:

- Regularly evaluated interventions
- Tracking progress on the child's LSP
- Internal monitoring of practice by leaders
- Regular discussions between staff, parent/carer and children
- The Inclusion Manager meets termly with the SEND Governor

11. HOW WE ENABLE CHILDREN WITH SEND TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES WITH THEIR CLASSMATES

Extra-curricular activities

- School clubs are open to all children
- Clubs take place before school, during lunch time and after school
- Clubs are provided by school staff (free of charge) and external providers (a fee is charged). Depending on circumstance pupil premium may be helped to fund attendance

Peripatetic music lessons

- A broad range of instruments are taught at school by teachers from Barnet Education Arts Trust (BEAT) financial assistance may be available from BEAT
- Lessons take place within the school day and support staff attend if needed

School trips

Specific risk assessments are done to identify what additional arrangements need to be undertaken to ensure (as far as practicably possible) a child with SEN can take part. This could be:

- Alternative transport arrangements to the venue eg by taxi
- 1 child to 2 adults for the duration of the trip
- Residential trips a parent/carer to accompany the trip and stay nearby to support
- Alerting the venue to the requirements of the child to ensure the child can have as good an experience as possible
- Pre-trip preparation for the child visual timetable for the day, photos of the venue, explanation of activities

School day

- Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club
- Playtime and Lunchtime 1:1 support including supporting attendance at within school clubs if needed

12. THE SUPPORT WE PROVIDE FOR IMPROVING THE EMOTIONAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN

WITH SEND

All children are encouraged to:

- take part in all extracurricular activities
- take on roles within the school for example: School Council, Member of the School Parliament, Eco Councillor, House Captains (Year 6).

All Year 3 children have a buddy in Year 6.

Pastoral support is provided by all school staff to all children.

If a child continues to struggle with any aspect of school life including exhibiting challenging behaviour, parent/carers are invited in to school for a meeting to discuss the best way to support the child.

Support could be through:

- a communication book
- regular meetings with the parent/carer
- behaviour management plan
- seeking external support
- referral to the Senior Learning Mentor for 1:1 work or small group work (MHJ)

The Senior Learning Mentor can:

- support in class, at playtime and lunchtime
- give advice and support to colleagues and parents/carers.

13. STAFFING

- School staff have access to bespoke training to develop their skills and understanding.
- Training is provided in house by current staff, through courses run by LBB, or external companies.
- Additional adult support for children with an EHC Plan

14. SPECIALIST EXPERTISE

The advice and support of the following external agencies is accessed through a formal referral to their service or by the Inclusion Manager requesting advice:

- LBB Educational Psychologist
- LBB Specialist SEN team
- LBB Inclusion Advisory Team
- Integrated Therapies: Speech and Language, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)
- CAMHS in School
- Autism Advisory Team
- School Nurse
- Consultant Pediatrician
- NHS services for hearing, sight and medical conditions
- Social Care
- Grief Encounter

15. TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN SCHOOL AND BETWEEN PHASES OF EDUCATION

There are clear procedures and systems in place to ensure transition runs smoothly.

Transferring from Moss Hall Nursery and other pre-school provisions

- The Inclusion Manager attends the annual review meetings for children with an EHC Plan
- The Inclusion Manager will meet with SENCo to discuss all children transferring

Transferring to Moss Hall Infant School

- The Inclusion Manager meets with MHN Deputy Head/SENCo
 - In the summer term before the children start in Reception the following happens:
 - \circ The children will visit MHI on several occasions with their Nursery Nurse or Teacher
 - The teachers from both settings meet to discuss all children coming from MHI
 - The EYFS Leader will visit other preschool settings where a significant number of children are transitioning
 - For a child with an EHC Plan, the support staff meet to share information
 - For a child with an EHC Plan, the class teachers meet to share information
 - For children with an EHC Plan or with significant needs a transition book of the school is sent home at the end of the summer term
 - For a child with an EHC Plan, parents are invited for a tour of the school with the Inclusion Manager in the summer term

Transferring from Moss Hall Infant School

- The Inclusion Manager attends Year 2 annual review meetings for children with an EHC Plan
- In the summer term before the children start Year 3 the following happens:
 - The Inclusion Manager attends meetings with the parent/carer and Infant Inclusion Manager
 - The Head of School spends time in each of the Year 2 classes
 - \circ $\;$ The Year 3 teacher spends a day in what will be their new class $\;$
 - For a child with an EHC Plan, the support staff meet to share information
 - \circ For a child with an EHC Plan, the class teachers meet to share information
 - \circ $\;$ The child has additional visits to the Junior school in addition to when their classmates visit
 - The children have a transition book
- All Year 3 children have a buddy from Year 6
- School records are received by MHJS
- In the Autumn term, Year 3 children will start at least ½ day earlier than Years 4, 5 and 6

Transferring from another school (within the Key Stage)

- A meeting/discussion with the previous school takes place
- The parent/carer meet the Inclusion Manager and class teacher
- A tour of the school takes place
- The child has a buddy within the class
- School records are received by MHJS

Transferring to another school (within the Key Stage)

- A meeting/discussion with the new school takes place
- Additional visits to the new school (with current staff if needed) take place to ensure a smooth transition for the child
- School records are passed onto the new school

Transferring to secondary school (MHJ)

- During the Year 5 annual review meeting, secondary school options are discussed
- The parent/carer is encouraged to visit schools and speak to the Inclusion Manager about the needs of their child

- In the summer term of Year 6, a teacher from the secondary school meets the current class teacher and information is shared
- If the child has an EHC Plan the secondary school is invited to the annual review or at a later date to a transition meeting (shorter annual review) in the summer term
- Additional visits to the new school (with current staff if needed) take place to ensure a smooth transition for the child
- The Inclusion Manager liaises with secondary schools for other SEND/vulnerable children when needed
- School records are passed onto the new school

16. BARNET LOCAL OFFER

- Local Authorities and schools are required to publish and review information about educational provision available for children and young people with SEND under the Children and Families Act 2014. This is known as the 'Local Offer'.
- The Local Offer should help parents/carers and families know what they can reasonably expect from their local schools.
- Click here for Barnet's Local offer: <u>https://www.barnetlocaloffer.org.uk/</u>

17. DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS

If a parent/carer has a concern about their child, their first point of contact is the child's class teacher. If their worry has not been resolved they should then speak to one of the leadership team. For children with SEN this would be the Inclusion Manager.

If a parent/carer has a complaint they must follow the school's Complaints Procedure Policy which is available on the school website <u>www.mosshalljunior.org.uk</u> or from the junior school office on the school website <u>www.mosshallinfantschool.org.uk</u> or from the infant school office.

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Appendix 3	Whole School Provision Map		



SEN SUPPORT AT Moss Hall Schools Federation

The following process will be followed for children where there is a concern regarding learning or behaviour.



Parent/Carer will be informed and involved at all stages

Stage 1: Classroom Monitoring and Meeting with Parent/Carer

If you have any concerns about a child:

e.g. slow progress/poor concentration/communication/behaviour/emotional/social

Stage 2: School Support - Initial Concern and Provision Tracker inc Extra Provision & Strategies

If concern continues for more than 3 weeks:

Class teacher to complete 'Identification of Needs' (relevant sections) before ICPT.

Class teacher and Parent/Carer to complete Initial Concern and Provision Tracker form (ICPT).

Class teacher to give copy of Identification of Needs and ICPT to Inclusion Manager and discuss.

An observation of the child may take place which will highlight next steps to support the child in school.

Inclusion Manager to monitor provision and progress will be monitored at the next Pupil Progress Meeting. If the child is making progress, provision to continue, ICPT moves with child to next class

Stage 3: School SEN Support - SEN Plan

If concerns still continue move to SEN Plan

Class teacher and parent/carer co-produce SEN plan outcomes with provision and strategies for child to achieve outcomes.

Stage 4: Referral for Assessment

If outside agencies are involved and concerns are ongoing, consider referrals for Educational

Stage 5: Application for EHCP – Education Health Care Plan

If concerns continue, consider evidence for statutory assessment for an EHCP with Inclusion

Appendix 2 Quick Links to Advice and Support

- Autism Education Trust: <u>www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk</u>
- Barnados Independent Support Service <u>www.barnardos.org.uk/what-we-do/protecting-</u> <u>children/independent-support-send</u>
- Barnet Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS)
 <u>https://www.barnetlocaloffer.org.uk/organisations/27214-barnet-special-educational-needs-and-disability-information-advice-and-support-service-sendiass</u>
- Bullying guidance (Department for Education): <u>http://tinyurl.com/DfE-Bullying-Guidance</u>
- Communication Trust: <u>www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk</u>
- Contact Charity for families with disabled children: <u>https://contact.org.uk/</u>
- Council for Disabled Children www.councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk/
- Dyslexia SpLD Trust: <u>www.thedyslexia-spldtr.org.uk</u>
- I CAN the children's communications charity www.ican.org.uk
- MindEd elearning to support healthy minds: <u>www.minded.org.uk</u>
- National Autistic Society <u>www.autism.org.uk/</u>
- National Deaf Children's Society <u>www.ndcs.org.uk/</u>
- National Sensory Impairment Partnership: <u>www.natsip.org.uk</u>
- NASEN: <u>www.nasen.org.uk</u> information and organisation contacts for SEN
- Royal National Institute of Blind People <u>www.rnib.org.uk/</u>
- Scope Equality for Disability <u>www.scope.org.uk/</u>



Appendix 3

MHSF Provision Map - 2021 – 2022

Cognition and Learning			Communication and Interaction	Social, Emotional and Mental Health	Sensory and Physical Needs	Referrals and Adaptations		
Reading	Writing	Maths	Language and Communication	Social, Emotional and Behavioural	Physical Development	Inclusion Support	Classroom Adaptations	Autism Spectrum Condition
Additional Support (Intervention TA) Additional In-Class Support (TA) Additional 1:1 Reading Precision Teaching High Frequency words Read, Write, Inc Group Volunteer Readers MHJS Library Group MHJS	Additional Support (Intervention TA) Phonics Group Write From The Start (Handwriting) Fine Motor Skills Group Touch Typing Programme MHJS Wordshark (IT Program) MHJS Talk Write Group MHJS	Additional In-Class support (TA) Basic Skills (Number Bonds) Basic Skills (Times Tables) First Class at Number (MHIS) TTRockstars (Times Tables) MHJS Additional Support (Intervention HLTA) MHJS	Individual Speech and Language Therapy with SLT Speech and Language follow up with TA Speech and Language Group (Class TA) Vocabulary Building New To English (intervention TA) Autism Advisory Team support SALT Toolkit activities Talk BOOST MHIS EAL Program: Talking Partners	Social Skills Group Barnet Integrated Therapies (BICS) CAMHS Life Skills Autism Advisory Team support Grief Encounter (Bereavement Counselling) 'Happy To Be Me' Group (self-esteem) MHJS 'Happy to Be Us' (social skills) MHJS 'Choose to Cope' (anxiety support) MHJS	Occupational Therapy (direct therapy/1-1 with TA) Gross Motor Skills group (TA) Fine Motor group (TA) Physiotherapy (direct therapy/1-1 with TA) Visual Impairment / Hearing Impairment Advisory teacher support Sensory Circuits Sensory Lodge	Educational Psychologist Referral /Assessment Referral to Occupational Therapy /Physiotherapy Service Referral to Speech and Language Therapy EWO/Attendance Referral to BICS Referral to CAMHS	Workstation Individual Timetable Safe Place Move 'N' Sit Cushion Writing Slope Pencil Grip Adaptive Ruler Adaptive Scissors IPad Hearing Impairment Adaptations Visual Impairment Adaptations	SCERTS Workstation Now, Next Board Finish Tray Learning Breaks
			Talking Partners MHJS Language Nut (IT program) MHJS	Learning Mentor MHJS			Use of ICT	

Provision is available in both MHIS and MHJS unless stated otherwise.