

1. An Introduction



Special Educational Needs Information Report

Stamshaw Infants believe that all pupils should be respected and valued as per our own school values.

Stamshaw strives hard to ensure that all pupils:

- Have a wide and balanced curriculum which is differentiated to meet individual needs
- Can learn and make progress according to their individual developmental trends
 - Are assessed using appropriate assessment tools and guidelines
 - Have equal access to resources, provision and interventions as needed

Special educational provision is educational or training provision that is additional to or different from that made generally for others of the same age. This means provision that goes beyond the differentiated approaches and learning arrangements normally provided as part of high quality, personalised teaching. It may take the form of additional support from within a setting or require involvement of specialist staff or support services.

Our School has an Inclusion Leader who is responsible for the management of provision and or support for identified pupils with SEND. They will also coach and support teachers and other staff to enable them to provide appropriate assessment and focused provision for children in their class with SEND.

All teachers are teachers of SEND pupils and as such provide quality first teaching which takes account of the particular individual needs of pupils with SEN within the classroom.

Stamshaw Infants are graded as a 'Good' school. Our most recent Ofsted report from December 2018 had the following comments:

"Leaders ensure that the school is inclusive. Pupils who have special educational needs and/or disabilities receive bespoke support"

"...a caring and supporting learning environment, and effective partnerships with parents."

"Those pupils who fall behind in their learning have timely intervention to help them catch up. Leaders are highly ambitious for every pupil in the school."

2. Areas of Need Explained

The SEND Code of Practice (2015) states that there are four main areas which cover Special Educational Needs. These areas and their meanings are as follows:

Area of Special Educational Need	Relating to Difficulties with:
<p>1. Communication and Interaction</p> 	<p>Children may have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulties saying what they want to and being understood Difficulties understanding what is being said to them Child/Young person does not understand or use social rules of communication Difficulties with language Difficulties with communication Difficulties with imagination Difficulty with social communication and developing relationships Anxiety in busy unpredictable environments Sensitivity to sensory stimuli Physical outbursts causing harm to others and/or to self and/or damage to property Limited attention span compared to developmentally appropriate milestones
<p>2. Cognitive and Learning</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulties with learning e.g. despite appropriate differentiation, making inadequate progress over time across the curriculum and working below age related expectations Specific learning difficulties affecting one or more specific aspect of learning, e.g. English difficulties, Maths difficulties or specific language impairment. Generalised learning difficulties e.g. Difficulties across the curriculum but with some areas of strength Children with an uneven profile of skills and attainment <p>N.B. a small number of children may have a formal diagnosis of e.g. dyslexia, dyscalculia or dyspraxia. For all areas of need any provision or support should be provided in line with the needs of the child or young person and is NOT dependant on any formal diagnosis</p>
<p>3. Social, Emotional and Mental Health</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulties participating and presenting as withdrawn or isolated Displaying challenging behaviour , e.g. refusal to follow instructions, aggression, damage to property Behaviours may reflect: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anxiety / depression • Self-harming • Substance misuse • Eating disorders Physical symptoms that are medically unexplained e.g. soiling, stomach pains Attention difficulties Attachment Difficulties (including Attachment Disorder) Low level disruption or attention seeking behaviours, e.g. talking out of turn, frequent interruptions to learning, fiddling with objects Difficulty in making and maintaining healthy relationships

	Difficulties following and accepting adult direction Presenting as significantly unhappy or stressed Patterns of non-attendance
4. Sensory and / or Physical 	Hearing impairment Visual impairment Physical disability Severe and complex medical needs including a life threatening diagnosis or condition Physical sensitivity including hyper and hypo responses and possible Sensory Processing Disorder (SPD)

3. The Waves of Interventions available at Stamshaw Infants

The school provides a graduated response to each child dependent on the level of need. These are often referred to as waves of intervention.

Wave 1: High Quality Teaching through differentiation in English and Maths lessons.

Wave 2: Small group support for those pupils who are achieving below age related expectations.

Wave 3: Focused, individualised programmes for pupils working significantly below age expectations.

	Whole School Approach (High Quality Teaching) Wave 1 interventions	Targeted Support for individuals or small groups. Wave 2 interventions	Specialised intervention for those with additional needs. Wave 3 interventions
Teaching Approach	<p>(W</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to a varied and stimulating curriculum • Use of different individualised teaching approaches according to needs • Hands on learning - School trips • Good use of visual and practical learning • Remove all potential barriers for all pupils while also providing support for pupils during learning activities. • A range of technology to support and aid quality teaching • Consideration of differing culture and beliefs • Small guided groups • Opportunity for guided and independent work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonic groups • BEAM (fine /gross motor) • 1:1 reading (targeted) • Guided writing groups • Handwriting groups • Maths • 1:1 Tuition where needed • Booster Groups • SENCO observation / assessment • Parent discussion with SENCO • Nurture Group – Rainbow room • Reception Narrative • Time to Talk • FFT (Family Fisher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Precision Teaching • ILP's (Individual Learning Plans) • Talking Partners

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities to develop positive self-esteem, independent learning, enabling pupils to exercise choice, involvement in decision making and problem solving • Extra adult 	Trust) reading/writing Intervention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools Therapy Pack 	
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3. The Waves of Interventions available at Stamshaw Infants

1. Communication and Interaction Needs. 	Whole School Approach 1st Quality Teaching Wave 1 interventions	Targeted Support for individuals or small groups. Wave 2 interventions	Specialised intervention for those with additional needs. Wave 3 interventions
<p>Speech, Language and Communication</p> <p>Autistic Spectrum Disorders</p>	<p>AS ABOVE +</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drama / Role play • Outside theatre groups / shows and workshops • Golden Time / Peer interaction • Good to Go • A range of technology to support learning • Outdoor learning activities / areas • Puppets • Full inclusion in all school assessment and tasks • Clear verbal instructions / explanations which can be simplified along with visual or concrete support • Visual timetables • SALT targets displayed in classrooms to support teachers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time to Talk • Makaton • Reception Narrative • Pastoral Support Worker(as required) • Referral to Parent Partnership (as required) • SENCO observation / assessment • Additional ICT use of audio / visuals • Parent discussion with SENCO / Pastoral Leader / Speech and Language Specialist • The use of social stories. • Schools Therapy Pack 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Referral to the Speech and Language Therapist (SALT) • Speech and Language Support Specialist who can deliver the individualised programmes according to the SALT directions • Application for an Educational Health Care Plan if needed • SENCO assessments and monitoring to ensure appropriate intervention and access to learning • SEN Support Plan where appropriate.

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2. Cognition and Learning 	Whole School Approach 1st Quality Teaching Wave 1 interventions	Targeted Support for individuals or small groups. Wave 2 interventions	Specialised intervention for those with additional needs. Wave 3 interventions
Moderate Learning Needs Specific Learning Difficulties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of different individualised teaching approaches according to needs • Hands on learning • School trips • Good use of visual and practical learning • Remove all potential barriers for all pupils while also providing support for pupils during learning activities. • Appropriate quality resources • Positive learning environment • A curriculum delivered appropriate to level of ability and understanding • Access to a full and broad curriculum • Consideration of home, cultural, language and heritage • Promotion of a positive attitude towards learning and behaviour • Motivation to help build a positive self-esteem, increase concentration • Lessons differentiated in order to include both sensory and physical disabilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENCO observation / assessment • ECAR assessment • Parent discussion with SENCO • Dyslexia Screening • Memory Magic Screening and programme. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FFT (Family Fisher Trust) reading/writing intervention • Precision Teaching • Better Reading Programme (BRP) • ILP's (Individual Learning Plans) • Fully inclusive curriculum • Access to a Specialist Teacher Advisor • Access to an Educational Psychologist • Completion of a SAF • Application for an Educational Health Care Plan • SENCO assessments and monitoring to ensure appropriate intervention and access to learning

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3. Social, Mental and Emotional Health 	Whole School Approach 1st Quality Teaching Wave 1 interventions	Targeted Support for individuals or small groups. Wave 2 interventions	Specialised intervention for those with additional needs. Wave 3 interventions
<p>Moderate Learning Needs</p> <p>Severe Learning Difficulties</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pupils can confidently grow in a safe, caring, supportive and purposeful environment that enables the development of relationships based on mutual respect and understanding. As according to our school values. • Access to Pastoral support. • Small group activities to address needs • Opportunities for children to talk about any fears, confusion and any other emotions • Opportunities for children to meet adults they can trust and to participate in activities where they can meet other children • Provision to explain and discuss about the events and circumstances surrounding the parental mental health problems • Continuity of care and minimal disruption of routines during a crisis • Rainbow room • Green and red peg board behaviour system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular Pastoral Leader Input • Behaviour Logs / Charts • Time out • Parent discussion with SENCO and Pastoral Leader • Additional Circle Time sessions in small groups differentiated according to needs • Calm Club • ELSA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Referral to CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services) • Support from MABS (Multi Agency Behaviour Support) • Completion of a SAF • Application for an Educational Health Care Plan • 1:1 support • Full inclusion in all school assessment and tasks • SENCO assessments and monitoring to ensure appropriate intervention and access to learning

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4. Sensory and Physical Needs 	Whole School Approach 1st Quality Teaching Wave 1 interventions	Targeted Support for individuals or small groups. Wave 2 interventions	Specialised intervention for those with additional needs. Wave 3 interventions
Hearing impairment Visual impairment Multi-sensory impairment Physical needs Medical needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole school approach • Sports director • After school clubs • Outside play areas / go-carts/swimming • A fully inclusive and differentiated class / curriculum approach according to individual needs • Audit of environment to consider adaptations (as required) • Modification of organisation, routine and environment • Access to a base for therapy if required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand gym / BEAM • Handwriting practice • Extra 1:1 / small group activities • Targeted small group / individual intervention to address specific needs such as: self-help skills, and independence • Physical aids where necessary or where advised by specialists • Parent discussion with SENCo • Schools Therapy Pack • School Nursing Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access and liaison with the OT (Occupational Therapist) • Access and liaison with the Physio Therapist • Access to specialist training. • Access to specialised training – epilepsy. • Access to PSENSP– Portsmouth Special Educational Needs Support Partnership - Mary Rose Academy. • SENCO assessments and monitoring to ensure appropriate intervention and access to learning • 1:1 support if required • ILP's as needed • Identified key worker • SENCO to lead provision • A place for timeout or exercise if necessary • Extra support and access to appropriate ICT interventions needed

4. Commonly Asked Questions

Regularly Asked Questions and Answers



How does Stamshaw Infants know if children need extra help?

Children may be identified as having SEND through a variety of ways including the following:-

- Liaison with Nursery, Pre-schools and previous school
- Child performing below age expected levels
- Concerns raised by Parent
- Through termly Core Tracking Meetings held between the Teachers / SENCO / Head of Pastoral Care/Assessment Leader and Pupil Premium Leader
- Concerns raised by teacher, for example, behaviour or self-esteem is affecting performance
- Liaison with external agencies e.g. speech and language therapists, educational psychologists, behaviour advisors, occupational therapists
- Health diagnosis through paediatrician/doctor

As a school we measure children's progress in learning against National expectations and age related expectations. The class teacher continually assesses each child and notes areas where they are improving and where further support is needed. As a school, we track children's progress from entry at Reception through to Year 2, using a variety of different methods including age related expectations and the EYFS Profiles.

Children who are not making expected progress are picked up through our termly Pupil Progress Review meetings with the Teachers / SENCO / Head of Pastoral Care/Assessment Leader and Pupil Premium Leader. In this meeting a discussion takes place concerning why individual children are experiencing difficulty and what further support can be given to aid their progression.

What should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs?

Talk to us – firstly contact your child's class teacher. If you require more information contact our SENCO or Head Teacher. We pride ourselves on building positive relationships with parents. We are open and honest with parents and hope that they are able to do the same with us.

How will Stamshaw Infant School staff support my child?

Our SENCO / Inclusion Leader will closely monitor all provision and progress of any child requiring additional support across the school. The class teacher will oversee, plan and work with each child with SEND in their class to ensure that progress in every area is made. There may be a Teaching Assistant (TA) working with your child either individually or as part of a group, if this is seen as necessary by the class teacher. The regularity of these sessions will be explained to parents when the support starts. All children requiring support over and above High Quality Teaching and what is ordinarily available to all children will have an Individual Learning Plan identifying key individual targets.

How will the curriculum be matched to my child's needs?

All learning opportunities within class are pitched at an appropriate level so that all children are able to access according to their specific needs. Typically this might mean that in a lesson there would be three different levels of work set for the class, however on occasions this can be individually

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differentiated. The benefit of this type of differentiation is that all children can access a lesson and learn at their level.

How do we know if the support or strategies used have had an impact?

In school we will often use ILP's (Individual Learning Plans) or IBP's (Individual Behaviour Plans) to set targets and review progress. We can use these targets to monitor pupil's progress academically against national/age related expectations and update or adjust the ILP. This may involve updating into smaller steps or using a different approach to ensure progress is made.

Children may move off the SEN register when they have 'caught up' or made sufficient progress which has been sustained for at least 2 terms.

How will I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?

The class teacher will meet with parents at least twice a year (this could be as part of Parent's Evening) to discuss your child's needs, support and progress. For further information the SENCO is available to discuss support in more detail. We offer an open door policy where you are welcome any time to make an appointment to meet with either the class teacher or SENCO and discuss how your child is getting on. We can offer advice and practical ways that you can help your child at home. We believe that your child's education should be a partnership between parents and teachers, therefore we aim to keep communication channels open and communicate regularly, especially if your child has complex needs.

- Your child may have an ILP / IBP in place and therefore the targets set are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time scaled) targets with the expectation that the child will achieve the target by the time it is reviewed.
- If your child has complex SEND they may have an EHC Plan (Education Health Care Plan) which means that a formal Annual Review will take place to discuss your child's progress and a report will be written. This can also be done at a six monthly interim review if changes to circumstances occur or concerns arise.

How will my child be able to contribute their views?

We value and celebrate each child being able to express their views on all aspects of school life. This is usually carried out through the School Council which has an open forum for any issues or viewpoints to be raised. Children who have ILPs (Individual Education Plans) discuss and set their targets with their class teacher. If your child has requires an EHC Plan or an Annual Review of their EHC Plan then their views will be obtained before any meetings through a booklet called This is Me. All children will SEN Support plans will also complete a This is Me booklet each time their plan is reviewed.

What support will there be for my child's overall well-being?

We are an inclusive school, we welcome and celebrate diversity. All staff appreciate the importance of children having high self-esteem in order to achieve positive well-being. Here at Stamshaw Infant School we commit to our own values and ensure pupils are able to develop in a caring, fair and understanding environment.

The class teacher has overall responsibility for the pastoral, medical and social care of every child in their class, therefore this would be the parents' first point of contact. If further support is required the class teacher can liaise with the SENCO / Inclusion Leader / Pastoral Leader for further advice

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and support. This may involve working alongside outside agencies such as Health and Social Services, and/or the Behaviour Support Team.

- The school has a Pastoral Leader who works alongside children who require support to develop their self-esteem, social skills, building secure friendships and talking about their emotions and feelings. Much of this work is completed in small groups in a happy and safe environment called the 'Rainbow Room.' This work is also supported by the school ELSA.
- The school has a policy regarding the administration and managing of medicines on the school site. Parents need to contact the schools medical Manager to discuss this and if agreed complete a form: 'Parental Agreement for School to Administer Medicines'. This may include medicines for life threatening conditions or required for a long term illness such as asthma and diabetes. In such cases a 'Care Plan' may be put in place according to the directions of the School Nurse.
- School will generally not take responsibility for other medicines such as cough medicines, however we may be able to administer prescribed medicines following discussions with parents.

What specialist services and expertise are available at or accessed by Stamshaw Infant School?

As a school we work closely with any external agencies that we feel are relevant to individual children's needs within our school including: MABS (Multi-agency Behaviour Support), Health including: School Nurse, General Practitioners, CAMHS (Child and Adult Mental Health), Paediatricians, OT (Occupational Therapist), PT (Physiotherapist) and the Speech & Language Therapy service. We also work very closely with Social Care and the Education Psychologists. Should your child require any form of involvement with an outside agency then the school would immediately inform you and obtain permission from parents to pursue any kind of professional intervention.

What training have staff had or going to have?

- The majority of our Teaching Assistants have had training in delivering reading and spelling / phonics programmes such as FFT (Family Fisher Trust)
- All Teaching Assistants are trained to deliver Precision Teaching.
- The school has a full time Speech and Language Specialist who is able to deliver Speech and Language sessions to pupils according to their individualised reports.
- As a staff we have regular training and updates of SEND conditions, medication use and resources / interventions available for our pupils in order to ensure all staff are able to manage pupils accordingly.

What are the Governors responsibilities?

We currently have two Governors involved in both SEND and Inclusion. Both Governors regularly meet with the SENCO and will update on changes, needs in school, current concerns and budget. The priorities for spending within the SEN budget tie in with the overall aim that all children receive the support they need in order to make progress.

How will my child be included in activities outside the classroom including school trips?

All children are included in all parts of the school curriculum and we aim for all children to be included on school trips. We will provide the necessary support to ensure that this is successful. A risk assessment is carried out prior to any off site activity to ensure everyone's health & safety will not be compromised. In the unlikely event that it is considered unsafe for a child to take part in an

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activity, then alternative activities which will cover the same curriculum areas will be provided in school.

How accessible is the school environment?

Stamshaw Infant is situated primarily on one floor and can be accessed by wheelchair. An ICT suite and an additional classroom used to deliver intervention programmes is located on a mezzanine level. We are aware that this may cause some children problems. We will always find a satisfactory solution to solve problems. We also have a disabled toilet. Any other resources needed for access may be assessed by OT and physiotherapy in order for us to ensure ease of access and safety for all.

The school is able to liaise with EMAS (Ethnic Minority Achievement Service) who can assist us in supporting our families with English as an additional language.

How will Stamshaw Infant school prepare and support my child to join the school and then transfer to junior school?

We encourage all new children to visit the school prior to starting when they will be shown around the school and any concerns can be addressed. For children with SEND we would encourage further visits to assist with the acclimatisation to the new surroundings.

We may need to write a 'Social Story' to ease the transition for pupils with high anxiety and communication difficulties

School / Parents may also feel the need to arrange several transition meetings / sessions between the schools in order to alleviate pupil concerns

Many of our 'feeder' Junior schools run a programme specifically tailored to aid transition for the more vulnerable pupils.

We liaise closely with staff when receiving and transferring children to different schools ensuring all relevant paperwork is passed on and all needs are discussed and understood. If your child has complex needs then an Education Health Care Plan review may be used as a transition meeting during which we will invite staff from both schools to attend.

How are resources allocated and matched to children's special educational needs?

We ensure that all children who have Special Educational needs are met to the best of the school's ability with the funds available. We will often allocate teaching assistants who are funded by the SEN budget to deliver programmes designed to meet groups of children's needs. The budget is allocated on a needs basis.

How is the decision made about what type and how much support my child will receive?

The class teacher alongside the SENCO will discuss the child's needs and what support would be appropriate. Different children will require different levels of support in order to bridge the gap to achieve age expected levels. This will be through on-going discussions with parents.

What support is there for improving behaviour, attendance and avoiding exclusion?

As a school we have a very positive approach to all types of behaviour with a clear reward system that is followed by all staff and pupils. If a child has behavioural difficulties a Pastoral Support Plan (PSP) or Positive Behaviour Plan (PBP) is written alongside the child and parents to identify the specific issues, put relevant support in place and set targets. After any behaviour incident we expect the child to reflect on their behaviour with an adult. This helps to identify why the incident

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happened and what the child needs to do differently next time to change and improve their behaviour.

Attendance of every child is monitored on a daily basis by the Admin department. Lateness and absence are recorded and reported upon to the Head teacher/Deputy Head. Good attendance is actively encouraged throughout the school and rewarded on a yearly basis as is improvement in attendance. Families who struggle with attendance and lateness will be asked to attend a meeting with the Head teacher / Pastoral Leader, so we can find ways to support and help with getting children into school and on time. As a result of these meetings, we have had many successes where families were struggling with lateness but are now able to get their children into school on time.

Who can I contact for further information?

Your main point of contact would always be the class teacher and then following this you may need to speak to the SENCO / Inclusion Leader.

Inclusion Leader: Mrs Sarah Southall

Telephone: 02392 661192

Email: ssouthall@stamshaw-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk

What should you do if you feel that the SEN Information Report is not being delivered or is not meeting your child's needs?

First point of contact would be your child's class teacher to share your concerns.

You could also arrange to meet Mrs Southall our SENCO / Inclusion Leader and / or Mrs Cooper our Head teacher. You may also wish to:

- Look at the SEND policy on our website
- Contact Parent Partnership or the SEND team at PCC.

Who should I contact if I am considering whether my child should join Stamshaw Infant School?

In this instance you can contact the school Admin office to arrange a meeting with either the Head Teacher 'Mrs Cooper' or our SENCO / Inclusion Manager 'Mrs Southall' to discuss how the school could meet your child's needs.

How is the SEN Information Report reviewed?

This SEN Information Report will be reviewed annually to reflect the changing needs of the children who join and are developing in our school. Part of this review process will involve contributions from parents. Every parent will be provided access to the new draft document and given the opportunity to make comment should they wish.

5. Your SENCO

Inclusion Leader (SENCO): Mrs Sarah Southall

Telephone: 02392 661192

Email: ssouthall@stamshaw-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk

Working as part of the Senior Leadership Team I work closely with all staff in school, parents, outside agencies and colleagues throughout the city. I have the responsibility of co-ordinating the provision

made for individual children with Special Educational Needs and those children with English as an additional Language.

Support is available through:

- Giving advice on issues related to Special Educational Needs and giving advice regarding pupils with English as an additional language.
- Meeting with parents to discuss any concerns they may have about their child's development or learning difficulties
- Assessments of individual pupils to identify need
- Referrals may be made to a range of other professionals such as: Educational Psychologist, Speech and Language Therapists and Specialist Teacher Advisors in the City

6. Pastoral Leader

Head of Pastoral Support and Behaviour: Mrs Anna Fancey

Telephone: 02392 661192

Email: Afancey@stamshaw-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk

Our Pastoral Leader is here to support parents with any difficulties that they are experiencing in a friendly and non-judgemental way.

- Supporting parents with behaviour management
- Helping parents seek out resources and activities in the area
- Budgeting, finances, attendance and menu planning
- A Nurture Group is offered within the Rainbow Room where a small group of children will visit and activities are based primarily around developing their social and emotional skills.
- Mrs Fancey will also attend TAC (Team Around the Child) Meetings. She always has a listening ear and a cup of tea if you are in need of some advice.

7. Medical Support

School Nurse: Nicola Kinahan

This support includes:

- Our school nurse is available to meet with parents/carers to discuss their concerns within a confidential environment.
- Making sure that staff are updated and when necessary receive training and or advice from relevant health professional to meet a pupil's individual needs.
- Administering medication including asthma inhalers or train staff to do so.

8. Speech and Language Support

Speech and Language Specialist: Mrs Liz Phelan

Telephone: 02392 661192

Email: Ephelan@stamshaw-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk

This support includes:

- Working with pupils in small groups or on a 1:1 basis in delivering activities according to the Speech and Language Therapists programme. Mrs Phelan is also happy to meet with parents to talk about their child's programme or to watch the delivery of a programme. Mrs Phelan and the SENCO are in regular contact with the Speech and Language Team within Solent NHS to gain advice and arrange further assessments if a child requires this.

9. Teaching Assistants for Reading and Writing

In Years 1 and 2, your child's Teaching Assistant will deliver 1:1 programmes as well as support and catch up groups to meet the needs within each specific class. These sessions last between 10-20 minutes and address issues such as handwriting, fine motor skills and letter formation. It is aimed to support those pupils identified as not making expected progress in reading and writing (as identified by the SENCO and Class Teacher).

Teaching Assistants provide continuous assessment of pupils and delivery of the programme according to the FFT wave 3 intervention guidelines. They ensure pupils participate fully in the programme each day. Teaching Assistants work closely with the SENCO and Class Teacher ensuring difficulties identified are addressed and new strategies learnt are put into practice within the class. Feedback is shared with parents and support strategies given.

Within school we have at least one Teaching Assistant based within each class and some who work on a 1:1 basis supporting those pupils with Special Educational Needs. All of our Teaching Assistants within the school are trained to deliver a range of intervention schemes, some of which include: Literacy and Numeracy Precision Teaching, Reception Narrative, Time to Talk, Talking Partners and BEAM (A Fine and Gross motor development programme).

10. Current Outside Agency Involvement

Multi Behaviour Support Team (MABS)

Can provide an outreach support service to help support schools in developing children's social and emotional skills.



Specialist Teacher Advisor (STA)

Assessing and working with pupils in order to help schools make the most of the educa for every individual child. They also work in partnership with parents, carers, teachers and colleagues in other agencies.

School Nurse

The School Nurse 'Nicola Kinahan' is assigned to the school and can be contacted via our school office. You may also be referred to the School Nurse via your GP and a possible Care plan may need to be put in place. School will also hold sessions for parents to come in and discuss and health concerns. We also have a wide range of other Specialist Nurses should they be required.

10. Current Outside Agency Involvement

Speech and Language Therapy (SALT)

School currently have a SALT come into school at least half termly. The support from the therapy service may include the following:

- Discussion and advice on activities you can use at home
- Assessing pupils individual communication needs and supplying school / home with an individual SALT plan identifying targets to be worked towards
- Providing advice, games and activities for school /or home to work on with the children

Educational Psychologist (EP)

Stamshaw Infants have subscribed to the Portsmouth EP service and access will be dependent upon individual pupils needs through discussion with the SENCo, Parents/Carers and Class Teacher. The EP service are able to work with school staff, parents and directly assessing / observing pupils in order to support learning and identify area of need and how best to support.

Social Care

School has access to and works very closely with Social Care in supporting both our children and families as needed

Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS)

A wide range of health professionals who can support children where there are concerns about their emotional well-being and mental health. They can also work with their families and carers.

Mutli Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)

Gateway to social care in supporting both our children and families as needed.

Occupational Therapist (OT)

Helps to reduce a child's difficulties and improve their ability to learn, socialise and play, finding ways to overcome any problems they experience in participating in day to day activities. They will work closely with the child, parents and teachers to develop practical approaches and find solutions to help children get the most from life, whether at nursery, school or in the home.

Information, Advice and Support Services (IASS)

IASS provides clear and accurate information and advice, so parents can participate in decisions about their child's education. They can support parents in accessing information regarding Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) assessments.

Physiotherapist

Treatment is based on the assessment of the child's needs and developing an individualised treatment plan

12. What steps should I take if I have a concern about the school's SEND provision?

Parents should raise and discuss initial concerns with the child's class teacher. If further information or discussion is needed then the Inclusion Leader can be contacted through the school office. The Head Teacher or other members of the Senior Leadership Team may also be contacted through the school office. Complaints may be referred to the governors. If there is further cause for concern or complaint please see the complaints policy.

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Portsmouth Local Offer: <http://www.portsmouthlocaloffer.org/>

Ordinarily Available Provision in Portsmouth:
<http://www.portsmouthlocaloffer.org/local-offer-search/item/296>

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