



Roche Community Primary School

Our "Local Offer" for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) 2021-22

At Roche we believe that children have a right to a safe, happy, varied and challenging learning experience. Every individual child matters and all children have abilities and potential which must be realised. Within this context, commitment, self-responsibility, honesty and respect are the key personal qualities which we value from all members of our school community and that we feel are essential to success in later life.

We have a commitment to staff training and development that has resulted in a skilled team of teachers and support staff able to apply their knowledge to meet the individual needs of children across the school. We seek guidance from a range of experts in making assessments and planning provision.

We work closely with parents to promote collaboration to ensure that we meet the individual needs of their children. We feel that communication is of paramount importance. The plans that we put in place for individual children are tailored to the child's needs. They are flexible and reflect a range of strategies and approaches, with a focus on Quality First Teaching and the graduated response.

The school SENDCO is Helen Carlin. She can be contacted by phone (01726 890323) or by email (hcarlin@roche.cornwall.sch.uk).

The school's Headteacher is Jeremy Walden.

The school's SEN Governor is xxxx

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This document will outline the universal provisions Roche Community Primary School has for all children within our school, as well as those specialist provisions aimed at targeted groups and individuals.

The areas below will be outlined within the document:

- 1. Listening to and responding to children and young people
- 2. Partnership with parents and carers
- 3. The curriculum
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- 8. The physical environment (accessibility, safety and positive learning environment
- 9. Transition from year to year and setting to setting
- 10. The SEND qualifications of, and SEND training attended by, our staff
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The level of support and provision offered in our school

1. Listening to and responding to children and young people

Whole school approaches	Additional, targeted support and	Specialist, individualised support and
The universal offer to all children and YP	provision	provision
Every individual is valued and their opinion is	Pupils with SEND are included in all	Where appropriate Early
respected.	discussion groups.	Support/TAC/CIN/CP meetings allow
The pupil voice is represented in all aspects of the	Pupils are encouraged and guided to give	children to voice their own perceptions
school.	their own opinions.	regarding learning/social need.
All children take part in PSHE lessons.	School council representatives meet with	Meet and greet
Every class has two school council representatives	schools in Cooperative Trust (restrictions	1:1 specific support.
(restrictions allowing).	allowing).	Individual support is given in line with the
Pupil voice is heard through	Access to staff trained in emotion	view of the student
The school council	coaching.	Pupil's views and opinions are used in
Class discussions	SEND pupils are involved in their termly	creating a child centred approach to
Pupil conferencing	Catch Me Card Reviews.	planning and target setting.
Questionnaires		SEND Support documentation is presented
 Head boy and girl elections 		in a way that is accessible for the pupil.
Assemblies		





2. Partnership with parents and carers

Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and YP	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
The school works in partnership with all parents and carers. Parents and carers of all pupils are invited to attend parent/carer evenings (restrictions allowing). Annual written reports are given to parent/carers Parents/carers know exactly who to contact if they have any concerns. Parents/carers are invited to celebration and cup assemblies (restrictions allowing). The School website provides parents/carers with full information on the school, curriculum and activities available to pupils. We hold an open-door policy. Home/School agreement shared at the start of each academic year.	 COVID-19 restrictions allowing: Families are invited to attend after-school activities to support their children. Volunteer parents help within school. Parents are able to contact the school at any time if they have any concerns. SEND parents are invited to share their views by a questionnaire at the end of each academic year. 	Parents/carers are supported in attending and are actively involved in all termly meetings and annual reviews. Parent/carer's view are an integral part of the TAC Meetings and SEND reviews. Meetings with head teacher/SENDCO/teacher, as needed. Support from SENDCO to access to outside agencies, such as ASD team, Educational Psychologist, Early Help Hub, and parents actively involved in meetings with outside professionals. All documentation is presented in a format that is accessible to individual parents Parents are encouraged to join in with school trips.





3. The Curriculum

Whole school approaches	Additional, targeted support and	Specialist, individualised support and
The universal offer to all children and YP	provision	provision
The school follows the National Curriculum (2014)	Small intervention groups are tailored to	Pupils are supported in following their
which is designed to ensure the inclusion of all	meet the needs of children requiring some	interests, and the Curriculum, regardless of
students. The school follows its own programmes	additional support. The progress of	their SEN and/or disabilities. For example,
of study derived from the NC, supported by our	children within these interventions groups	a pupil with physical impairments is given
Shared Reading programme. This covers all	is carefully monitored and assessed to	the support they need to access PE.
aspects of the National Curriculum with the	ensure that it is meeting the needs of the	Pupils with special needs and/or disabilities
exception of PE, PSHE and RSE.	group. Intervention groups are adapted	can access the curriculum with adult
	and amended regularly in line with the	support as appropriate.
For PE, we follow Real PE and for RSE and PSHE	progress of the children.	In exceptional circumstances, pupils can be
we follow the Cornwall Scheme – more		disapplied from some subjects. This must
information found <u>PSHE-RSE-policy-updated-</u>	Assessments (including Nessy screening)	be agreed by all involved.
2021.pdf (roche.cornwall.sch.uk)	are used to identify students who need	 Coloured over lays
	specific intervention.	 Personalised curriculum
Varied teaching strategies, in line with the		 Now/next and visual timetables
graduated response.	 Task Management boards 	• 1:1 tuition
	Visual cues	 Verbal feedback between parents
Opportunities for all pupils, regardless of their	 Speech and language support 	and school at the start and end of
ability and/or additional needs, have full access to	 Additional reading to an adult 	each day.
the curriculum and learn through individual and	 Read Write Inc phonics and 	 1:1 Speech and language support
group discussion.	spelling small group sessions	ASD team
		 Educational Psychologist





 Opportunities to work independently. Effective live feedback is used to move pupils on in their learning. Structured routines are followed. The curriculum is differentiated in the planning and the outcomes. Areas of the curriculum are linked through a topic approach. Skills are developed through a creative curriculum. Opportunities for reflection on work by all i.e. knowledge organisers, floor books. All classes well supported by teaching assistants for both academic and emotional needs. Teaching assistants model and explain effectively. Class teachers effectively utilise teaching assistants to provide targeted support when needed and then withdraw to promote independent skills. RWI phonics and spelling Visual timetables used in all classes 	 Specific Intervention groups, including White Rose Maths Use of assisted technology to record written work Sensory breaks to allow effective engagement with learning. 	 Dyslexia service Additional Sensory input in collaboration with the Occupational Therapy service/EP Service/Outreach Service Relevant assessments available to determine specific provision.eg. dyslexia/motor coordination/speech and language 1:1 RWI support 1:1 Precision Teach support 1:1 Maths intervention (White Rose Maths)
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4. Teaching and Learning

Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and YP	Additional, targeted support and provision Class teachers and teaching assistants	Specialist, individualised support and provision
 stages, regular progress check and differentiated learning styles. Quality Feedback with a focus on instant, formative feedback. Working Walls Access to learning support materials – 100 squares, phonics mats etc. Visual Timetable Teacher, Adult support and child position in class. (for example on carpet/nearer to the board etc.) Whole Class behaviour strategy, including positive reinforcement Shared reading Read Write Inc lessons (whole school, phonics or spellings depending on ability) Self and Peer assessment built into learning Effective and higher level questioning evident 	 share information and lesson plans to ensure that students with SEND have targeted support and provision. Teaching assistants or the class teacher work with small groups to: Pre teach/re teach Additional RWI intervention Additional literacy/numeracy intervention specific to need Speech and Language therapy intervention TA's available for additional reading opportunities-to aid children achieve 'expected 3 reads per week' If the class teacher is working with a small group the Higher Level Teaching assistant 	 work is provided enabling independent learning. One-to-one support is in place for students who need more intensive support, e.g. for those with physical disabilities, sensory loss, speech and language difficulties, autism, severe literacy difficulties/dyslexia etc. 1:1 interventions i.e. precision teach Personalised visual timetable for learning and intimate care needs Outreach from special schools and support services for advice on teaching and learning. i.e. Educational psychologist, ASD team Speech and language therapy service and specialist TA support Autism Champion





 Super learning days held addressing aspirations and the wider curriculum Regular trips for each class (restrictions allowing) 	supports the class with tasks already set by the teacher. Independent learning is promoted at all times and is supported by the use of	 Special examination arrangements are put in place for internal and external tests and examinations (readers, scribes etc)
 Alternative ways of recording are used e.g. photos, TA assessment, video, auditory etc. Learning objectives are presented and referred to during each lesson. 	technology such as Laptops, IPads, Digital Microphones, Nessy, etc.	SEND training given to all staff working with specific children.

5. Self – help skills and independence

Whole school approaches	Additional, targeted support and	Specialist, individualised support
The universal offer to all children and YP	provision	and provision
Pupils are encouraged to be independent learners	Where teaching assistants are in the	Teaching Assistant working one-to one
by firstly having a go, and then asking a friend to	classroom they facilitate independence.	with pupils encourage them to be specific
help before finally asking the teacher.		about what they need help with, along
	Pupils have personalised equipment to	with asking them what they have done
Each classroom is equipped with resources to	help them learn such as timers, overlays	already to find the help for themselves e.g.
help pupils e.g. dictionaries, maths resources,	etc.	asked peers, checked visual time-table.
highlighters etc. which promote independence.		Additional support is shared to build
	Children have access to visual timetables,	resilience in pupils so that they have self-
Learning walls are regularly updated and changed	prompts, time out cards etc.	coping strategies when and if the teaching
to reflect the current work which enables pupils		assistant is absent.
to use this to help them with their work.	Use of ICT including iPads and laptops.	





	Personalised task boards and timetables
Small group interventions with clear	are in place to support independence.
success criteria.	1:1 Intimate care is provided in such a way
	that supports and promotes independence
	(see Intimate Care Policy)
	Referrals to external agencies i.e. school
	nursing service.

6. Health, wellbeing and emotional support

Whole school approaches	Additional, targeted support and	Specialist, individualised support and
The universal offer to all children and YP	provision	provision
PSHE lessons include all pupils. The school follows	Time limited and monitored groups	TACs, and SEND reviews are supported by
the Cornwall PSHE curriculum, and we have a	address:	a range of agencies including the school
PSHE policy: <u>PSHE-RSE-policy-updated-2021.pdf</u>	Self-esteem	nurse.
(roche.cornwall.sch.uk)	Social Skills	
	• Life Skills	Additional support for students can be
Displays throughout school promote children's	 Behaviour and anger management. 	requested from:
achievements, British Values and Wellbeing.		• CAMHS
	Group sensory/movement breaks	• Early Help Hub
Student issues are dealt with by trained staff, as		 Dreadnought
they arrive. All staff are trained in attachment and emotion coaching.	Risk assessments are carried out.	 Penhaligon's Friends, etc.
	Vulnerable pupils lunch time group	Pupils with specific medical conditions
	(restrictions allowing).	have individual health care plans.





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Whole school assemblies incorporate PSHE,	Meet & Greet
British Values and Wellbeing. (restrictions	 Individual sensory breaks
allowing)	 Visual Cues/individualised
	emotional support
Bereavement counselling is available.	 Individual behaviour plans.
	 Individual safety plans and risk
Risk assessments are carried out.	assessments in place.
Designated Safeguarding Officer.	1:1 work for identified pupils with a trained
	Trauma Informed Schools practitioner.
Daily P.E. lessons highlight mental health benefits	
of exercise.	All staff in classes with pupils who have
	medical conditions i.e. diabetes, receive
	appropriate training.

7. Social Interaction Opportunities

Whole school approaches	Additional, targeted support and	Specialist, individualised support
The universal offer to all children and YP	provision	and provision
All pupils have opportunities for social interaction, regardless of need. All children attend whole school trips/visits and shared experiences	Teaching Assistants provide opportunities for social interaction within specific groups.	Teaching Assistants provide specific opportunities to develop social interaction skills.





All children take part in whole school/merged	Group work with trained Trauma Informed	Pupils individually supported by TAs to
theme week activities, such as super learning	Schools practitioner focusing on social	enable their attendance at after school
days (restrictions allowing)	skills for identified pupils.	clubs.
TA support through classroom activities/		
questioning	Supervised lunch and break times.	Teaching Assistants use social stories with
Wide range of extra-curricular activities, including		individual children.
mixed year groups. (Restrictions allowing).	Vulnerable pupils lunch time club provides	
Combined class break and lunch times	a safe space for building social skills	Individual Speech and Language sessions.
(restrictions allowing).	(restrictions allowing).	
Breakfast club		1:1 lunch and break time supervision
		where required.

8. The physical environment (accessibility, safety and positive learning environment).

Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and YP	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
All areas of the school are accessible to everyone including those students with SEND. Students feel safe and in an environment where bullying is absolutely minimal and dealt with effectively. There is a Designated Safeguarding Officer (and deputies) and a named 'Child in care' teacher. All areas of the school are uplifting, positive and support learning.	Non-slip, non-breakable equipment is available in practical lessons. Larger toilet available including wheelchair access toilet and changing facilities, as well as a wet room with shower. A variety of different chairs and tables available to ensure pupils work at the correct height / position.	Accessibility Policy. Specialist equipment, such as adapted chairs or writing slopes, enables students to be independent. Classrooms, corridors and the hall are accessible for pupils with sensory needs. Liaison with external professionals takes place





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Teachers focus on rewarding good behaviour to promote a positive learning environment. Rewards and sanctions systems are robust and displayed within classrooms. All staff are First Aid trained. Risk assessments are regularly carried out. Every class has: word walls, spelling mats, visual timetables, colour coded displays, number lines, Numicon, Place Value counters Children have access to whiteboards, kindles and laptops Working Walls in the classroom assist learning and encourage interaction. Flexible learning – inside and outside Book corners in classrooms Drinking water available in all classrooms Library Areas of the playground designated for different activities specifically during lunchtime.	There are named adults who are 'team teach' trained. Equality and Diversity policy is in place Management of medical needs e.g. Epilepsy, Diabetes and allergies. is led by trained staff and liaison with medical professionals Rooms/spaces available for intervention Sensory room available.	Care plans written with medical specialists.
Areas of the playground designated for different		





9. Transition from year to year and setting to setting

Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and YP	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
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Meetings are held between the present and the next class teacher at the end of the academic year. There are strong links with the feeder Early Years Settings as well as the Secondary Schools in the local area. Pupils starting Reception, along with their parents, are invited to attend a number of transition sessions in the term before they start, as well as home visits and a staggered start to the school year (restrictions allowing). Year 6 pupils attend transition days at their named secondary school (restrictions allowing). All year groups have a transition week in their new year group with their new class teacher and teaching assistants in the summer term (restrictions allowing).	Transition books with visual cues/photographs to promote positive transition for small number of identified pupils who may struggle with the transition. Small group visits to secondary placements (SEN taster days) (restrictions allowing). A meeting with the SENDCO and class teacher is held to ensure that relevant information and detail is handed over.	 Annual reviews for EHCP pupils in key Year groups (R, 5 and 6) have a focus around transition. Pupils have a structured and gradual transition package from setting to setting. This ensures that they are very familiar with routines, key members of staff, running of the school day, environment etc. Early identification of 'key worker/mentor' to help build familiarity (as required) Advice from other agencies to support individual transition Early support/CAF meetings





10. The SEND qualifications of, and SEND training attended by, our staff

Staff continual professional development is key at Roche to ensure all staff can support and deliver the best provision for our SEND learners.

- We have a number of teaching assistants trained in delivering Speech & Language programmes planned by a Speech & Language Therapist.
- A teaching assistants are 'Team Teach' trained to safely support and isolate children demonstrating unsafe behaviour (these incidents are always recorded).
- All of our teaching assistants and teachers have had training in delivering Read, Write, Inc. spelling programme and those working in Year 3 and below are also trained to deliver Read, Write, Inc phonics.
- All our staff are trained in paediatric first aid, including administering Epipens, within school.
- All staff have received training on how to deliver 'Precision Teaching', an intervention aimed at supporting children who have a learning delay.
- Our SENDCO is a qualified 'Trauma Informed Schools' practitioner, an intervention aimed at supporting a child's emotional development.
- All of our teachers and teaching assistants have received training aimed at supporting those pupils who may have Autism.
- One of our teaching assistants is trained as an Autism Champion.
- The SENDCO has had training for working with children with Pathological Demand Avoidance.
- We have a teaching assistant trained in using Makaton, a language programme using signs and symbols to help pupils to communicate.
- We have a number of staff who are able to carry out intimate care needs as required by individual pupils according to their care plans.
- Our SENDCO is a trained Bereavement Champion.
- All of our teachers and teaching assistants have received training on Attachment and Emotion Coaching, a method of talking with children and young people to help them recognise, label and validate their own feelings.
- The SENDCO has completed the NASENCO qualification.
- A number of staff have received specialist diabetes training.
- All of our staff have up-to-date safeguarding training.
- Our SENDCO has received training from the Occupational Therapy service to support children with Sensory Processing problems.





• This year, we are receiving training to become a Dyslexia Friendly School.

11. Services and Organisations that we work with

Service/Organisation	What they do in brief	Contact Details
Speech and Language Service	Assess children with Speech and Language need and give targets to work on in school and home.	Referral made by school.
ASD support team	The Autism Spectrum Team in Cornwall will play a significant role in promoting the inclusion of young people with Autism and in supporting multi agency working to meet the needs of these young people and their families.	Referral made by school.
Educational Psychologist	An Educational Psychologist might become involved with your child if they have difficulties with: learning, behaviour, managing their feelings, getting on with others and communication. An Educational Psychologist will only become involved if the parent/carer's permission has been given.	Referral made by school.
Cognition and Learning Service	The Cognition and Learning Service supports schools and other settings in meeting the educational needs of learners with MLD (moderate/general learning difficulties) and SpLD (specific learning difficulties). The specific learning difficulties that the Cognition and Learning Service focus on are dyslexia and dyscalculia.	Jo Davidson cognitionandlearning@cornwall.gov.uk
CAMHS	The service helps children and young people deal with emotional, behavioural or mental health issues.	Referral made via school or GP





Medical professionals	GPs and Paediatricians work alongside the school as	Referral made via GP
	appropriate.	
Specialist School Outreach support	Developed to support the inclusion of pupils with complex,	Referral made by school
	severe or profound and multiple learning difficulties, aged	
	3-19 years, in local maintained mainstream schools and	
	Area Resource Bases.	
School nursing team	School nurses provide confidential advice and health	Contact Early Help Hub on 01872
	information. This advice is available to young people, their	322277 or referral made by school
	parents, carers and teachers. School nurses will help ensure	
	children and young people stay fit and healthy	
Early Help Hub	The single point of access for council and community based	Referrals can be made through school
	health Early Help services for children, young people and	or by contacting:
	families in Cornwall.	earlyhelphub@cornwall.gov.uk 01872
		322277
Occupational Therapy	Work with families and school staff, provide assessments	Referrals via school or GP
	and support plans as required	

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

1. How does your school know if children/young people need extra help?

The class teachers and Senior Management Team regularly monitor progress of all children. If a child's progress stalls then specific support/interventions are put in place to aid the child's learning. We also believe in the importance of communication with parents/carers and if you have a concern, please contact the school. For any child on our Record of Need, we complete termly Assess, Plan, Do, Review meetings; please see our SEND policy for more information.





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

In the first instance you are advised to talk to your child's teacher. Please contact the office to make an appointment. You can also talk to the SENDCO or member of the senior management team. We are all committed to ensuring your child is happy and making good progress.

3. Who is responsible for the progress and success of my child in school?

We believe that school and home working in partnership is the most effective way to ensure your child makes the most of the learning opportunities offered by Roche School. We ask that you support your child's homework by providing a suitable space for them to complete it, as well as ensuring that they read at least 3 times a week. In school, your child's class teacher has the day to day responsibility to ensure your child is making good progress. The teachers are supported by the SENDCO and external agencies when necessary.

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

Your child's teacher will ensure the work is matched to your child's needs – this is called differentiation. It may be the work is slightly different; there may be additional resources available or support from teaching assistants.

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

Our school is committed to working in partnership with parents to ensure the best outcomes for your child. We strongly encourage you to attend the termly parent's consultation (restrictions allowing) and you are welcome to make an appointment at any time to see your child's teacher to discuss their progress.

6. What support will there be for my child's overall wellbeing and safety?

All staff and governors at Roche School are committed to ensuring your child is safe, happy and thriving during their time with us. If you have any concerns please see your child's class teacher, Mrs Carlin or a member of the Senior Management Team. Please ensure you let us know if your child has any additional needs – medical, social or academic.





7. What SEND training have the staff at school had or are having?

All staff receive SEND training as part of their continued professional development, through specific courses, work with agencies or as part of school staff meetings/in-service training days.

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

Class visits and trips are an integral part of our curriculum and all children are expected to attend if that is the plan for their class that day. Longer residential trips are also very valuable but incur a cost which means they can be attended at parent's discretion. The reason a child may not attend a trip is if they pose a threat to their own or other children's safety (the school reserves the right to refuse a place on a trip).

9. How accessible is the school environment?

Roche school's environment is accessible with ramps or flat entry points to the buildings, specialised toileting facilities (including a wet room) and hand rails where needed (adaptations are made as necessary to accommodate specific needs)

10. How will school prepare and support my child through the transition from class to class and beyond?

Roche school staff share academic and specific additional needs information at every point of transition, whether it is moving between year groups/key stages or from one intervention group to another. Upon leaving Roche to transition to another primary/secondary school, staff share the relevant information and make visits where necessary.

11. Who can I contact for further information?

In the first instance you are advised to contact your child's teacher. Other staff in school who would be happy to help are Mrs Carlin (SENDCO) or a member of the Senior Management Team. We also have a governor with specific responsibility for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, who can be contacted through the school office.

12. What should I do if I feel that the Local Offer is not being delivered or is not meeting my child's needs?

Please talk to Mrs Carlin (SENDCO) or Mr Jeremy Walden (Head teacher) if you have any concerns.





13. How is your Local Offer reviewed?

The school offer will be reviewed annually following consultation with pupils, parents and staff.

14. How do you know how good your SEN provision is?

We are continually evaluating our provision for all pupils and in particular those on our Record of Need. We use assessment information to:

- Provide starting points for the development of an appropriate curriculum.
- Identify and focus attention on action to support the child within the class.
- Use the assessment processes to identify any barriers to learning.
- Ensure ongoing observation and assessments provide regular feedback about the child's achievements and experiences to form the basis for planning the next steps of the child's learning.
- Inform external agencies so that further assessments by specialists can take place.
- Quality assure the provision for our SEND children is being delivered and is supporting their progress.

15. If you wish to complain.

If you have any queries or concerns about the SEN provision within our school then please see the school's SENCO, head teacher or governor with responsibility for SEN.