King Ecgbert School's SEND Information – updated September 2023



King Ecgbert School is committed to ensuring all students have access to a broad and balanced curriculum whatever their gender, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, needs or abilities. All King Ecgbert teachers are teachers of SEND and have responsibility for planning the curriculum to ensure it is accessible to all. The varying needs of students will be addressed through personalised learning and through appropriate differentiation.

Additional provision is provided to ensure students have the necessary skills to access the curriculum independently wherever possible. KES provides support for students with communication and interaction needs; cognition and learning needs; social, emotional and mental health needs and sensory and physical needs. The school also has an Integrated Resource which provides support for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

	Communication	Cognition and	Social, emotional and	Sensory and/or	
	and interaction	learning	mental health	physical	
How does King Ecgbert	When your child starts at King Ecgbert School we will work closely with the previous school to ensure we have all the information we need to support them and put in extra support as needed. Each student's progress is assessed and tracked throughout the year by Heads of Department, Year Managers, and the Senior Leadership Team. If your child is not making progress, we will work with you and your child to plan appropriate support and intervention.				
School know if my child needs extra help?					
What should I do if I think my child may have a special educational need or disability?	If you think your child has a special educational need or disability, contact our SENCO (Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator) Ms H Liddell, or your child's Year Manager. We will plan what to do next with you. This may include assessments in school, referral to one of our partnership agencies or we may discuss making a referral for assessment through your GP.				
How will the curriculum be matched to my child's needs?	Students have a mix of lessons that are in sets and lessons that are in mixed ability groups. The sets are arranged according to the most recent assessments and to best meet the learning needs of each student. The curriculum is tailored to meet the specific needs of each set and provide challenge to all learners. In mixed-ability sets, work is differentiated to ensure all students have the support they need to access the curriculum and make progress. Some students with additional needs will have an adapted curriculum to include specific support or intervention. This may include additional literacy lessons, individual literacy programmes, vocational placements, subject specific intervention or personalised programmes of therapy or intervention.				
How will I know how King Ecgbert School supports my child? How will I be involved in discussions about and planning for my child's education?	All parents/carers are invited to information evenings and parents' evenings to find out about the curriculum and any additional support that their child is receiving. If a student is receiving any additional support his/her parents/carers will be invited into school for a review meeting to review progress and plan future intervention.				

How will I know how my child is doing?	Attitude to Learning reports will be sent home five times a year showing each student's attitude to learning and homework in all subjects. If your child is receiving additional support, his/her progress will be discussed at the review meeting.		
How will you help me to support my child's learning?	During parents' evenings and review meetings, staff will be able to discuss ways in which you can support your child's learning. We also hold information evenings and workshops throughout the year where you can discus ways of helping your child. You can also contact subject teachers, Heads of Department or Year Managers.		
What support will there be for my child's overall well-being?	King Ecgbert School's pastoral system will monitor and support each student's overall well-being. The form tutor and Year Manager will have day-to-day responsibility for student care. Please contact one of them if you have any concerns. Each year group also has a link with a member of the Senior Leadership team.		
What specialist services and expertise are available at or accessed by the school?	We have access to the Educational Psychology Team, Sensory Impairment Teams, a Speech and Language Therapist, the Physiotherapy and Occupational therapy teams, the Multi-Agency Support Team, the School Nurse Service, Parent Partnership and the Community Youth Teams. We work closely with the Child and Adolescent Mental Health team and Ryegate and support families with referrals to these services through their GP.		
What training have the staff supporting children and young people with SEND had, or are having?	We have an extensive programme of professional development and training for all teaching and support staff. This programme includes sessions on dyslexia-friendly classrooms, supporting students with communication difficulties, supporting students with autism, and assisting emotional well-being.		
How will my child be included in activities outside the classroom, including school trips?	We are a fully inclusive school, and all students are involved in classroom activities and trips. Where necessary we will provide specialist transport and equipment, extra staffing, and flexible activities to ensure full participation in school trips. Students with SEND and without SEND work alongside each other in all classrooms and out of school activities.		
How accessible is the school environment?	Both the school environment and curriculum are fully accessible to students regardless of SEN or disability. Please see the school's accessibility plan on the website.		
How will the school prepare and support my child when joining	King Ecgbert School has excellent links with its feeder schools. Senior staff meet with staff from each primary school to ensure we have all the information needed to effectively support students through transition and once they have started at King Ecgbert School. Parents and carers are invited to both formal induction meetings and less formal information sessions. For students with SEN, disability or who need additional support, a personalised programme of transition will be planned which may include extra		

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transferring to a new	For post-16 students, King Ecgbert School work closely with local providers to share information. We will support students with the				
school or post-16	application process and accompany students on additional visits. During Y11 review meetings, we will work with parents/carers and				
•	students to plan transition. We have a key worker from Sheffield College Learning Support Team who will attend review meetings				
provision?	where possible.				
How are the school's	The school's resources are allocated according to the level of need identified in Education, Health and Care plans and through				
resources allocated and	monitoring and assessment of student progress. Assessment information received at the end of primary school is used to allocate literacy support during Key Stage 3.				
matched to children's	Interacy support during key Stage 3.				
special educational					
needs? How is the					
decision made about					
how much/what support					
my child will receive?					
What should I do if I am	If you have any complaints or queries about your child's support, please contact Sian Stockham (Deputy Headteacher) by phone on				
not happy with the	0114 2353855 or by email at enquiries@ecgbert.sheffield.sch.uk				
support my child is					
receiving?					
How are Children who	Sian Stockham is our designated LAC teacher. Regular PEP meetings are held ensuring liaison between the SEND team, the LA, and				
are Looked After by the	carers to monitor progress and support.				
Local authority and have					
SEN supported?					
	SENCO Ms H Liddell	Your child's Year Manager			
	DEPUTY SENCO Ms C Hughes	Y7 Ms Vilela and Ms Machin			
	SEN Officer Mrs Smyth	Y8 Ms Cook			
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Who can I contact for		Y10 Ms Oladujoye			
further information?		Y11 Mrs Donoghue			
		Pastoral Year Managers			
		KS3 Mr Beeden			
		KS4 Ms Marcuccio			