

SEN Local Offer

How does the school know if my child needs extra help and what should I do if I think my child may have SEN?

- Initially contact form tutor to discuss any concerns
- School assess student's needs:
 - Assessment Data
 - Transition information
 - Teacher observations
 - Parental Input

How will the school staff support my child?

- Form tutor and pastoral team
- Differentiated teaching in lessons
- Intervention work

How will I know how my child is doing?

- Tracking and reporting data
- Parents' meetings and consultations
- Contact with Learning Support
- Annual Review for students with a Statement for Special Educational Needs/EHSC Plan

How will the learning and development provision be matched to my child's needs?

- Careful planning and differentiation by subject teachers and leaders
- Pastoral mentoring
- Monitoring of progress

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

- Form tutor and pastoral team
- PSHE Programmes
- Positive relationships with parents, school and children
- Mentoring
- Wider outcomes : extracurricular activities

What training have the staff supporting children with SEND had or are having?

- As all teachers are teachers of SEND, they will have had appropriate and regular training

What Specialist Services and expertise are available at or accessed by the school?

- See Herts Local Offer for services available to all secondary schools

How will you help me to support my child in their learning? How will I be involved in the discussion?

- Parent Consultation
- Contact with pastoral team
- Virtual Learning Environment

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

- Appropriate provision and reasonable adjustments will be made where necessary
- Medical support in place where necessary

How accessible is the school environment?

- All Hertfordshire schools comply with Equality Act 2010
- Accessibility Plan available on request

Who can I contact for further information?

- info@stmarys.net

How will the school prepare and support my child in transfer

- Sharing of information between primary school and secondary school
- Induction Programme & transition visits

How will the school's resources be allocated and matched to children's special educational needs?

- SEND funding distributed where appropriate
- High Needs Funding provided by application to County in exceptional circumstances

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

- Through consultation with parents, teaching and support staff, and relevant external agencies.