

SEND Local Offer



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Who we are

Coldean Primary School is a good school with outstanding features that fully embraces its ideals of learning together and inspiring each other. At Coldean Primary School we strive to support all children to enable them to achieve at school. In order to do this many steps are taken to support them through their learning journey. We recognise the importance of educating the whole child, building on their strengths and celebrating individual's achievements and we have worked hard to create a school community where everyone can be happy, healthy and have a zest for learning.

Specialist services and expertise are available at or accessed by the school

Quality first teaching is vital; however for some children there are occasions when additional support may be needed to help them reach their full potential, both academically and socially. In order to support children at the school, there is regular contact with a wide range of external agencies. These include:

- Speech and Language Therapy Service (SALT);
- Physiotherapy;
- Occupational Therapy;
- Schools Mental Health Service;
- Hillpark Outreach Service;
- social care agencies; and
- Brighton & Hove Inclusion Support Service (BHISS) which includes highly skilled and experienced specialist professionals including educational psychologists and specialist teachers and practitioners across autism support, sensory needs support and support for specific learning issues

How does the school know if children/young people need extra help and what should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs?

All children's progress, academic, social and emotional, is constantly monitored by teachers and the Senior Management Team within the school, and tracked through our everyday observations and teaching interactions. Any concerns about your child will be dealt with immediately, with the relevant professional informed. As parents/carers you are able to discuss your child with either the class teacher, SENDCo or the Senior Management team. All of this information helps us to determine what additional help would be most appropriate. The way children respond to that support helps us to understand your child's needs in more detail.

Staff training and experience with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities

At Coldean there is a range of specialist provision for supporting our most vulnerable learners, be they challenged or challenging. We have supported and will continue to support pupils with significant multi-faceted needs for a mainstream setting.

Staff training needs are assessed regularly. Recently staff have attended training to support children in all areas of the curriculum and beyond. These include:

- Just Right program; supporting pupils on the autistic spectrum to regulate their emotional literacy;
- Attachment Aware program: supporting pupils with attachment disorder;
- Speech and Language program delivery: supporting identified adults to deliver Speech and Language Therapy programs to individuals and groups of children.
- Safeguarding children;
- Sensory Needs 'Awareness: supporting children with visual and hearing impairments;
- Memory Magic: Supporting children with working memory difficulties.



Specialists from outside agencies work alongside staff to train and support them in the work they do with specific children if a child joins the school with particular needs

Accessibility

Accommodating children with needs is carefully considered at Coldean and we are happy to discuss individual access requirements. We have many facilities that enable access for all:

- Ramps into school so that the school buildings are accessible to all.
- Two toilets adapted for disabled users.
- Wide doorways.
- Lifts to allow stair and upper level access throughout the school.
- Areas that are painted yellow, plus contrasting coloured flooring for visually impaired children.

Who can I contact for further information?

You can contact the school office to arrange a meeting with the SENDCO:

- Phone: 01273 094911
- Email: office@coldean.brighton-hove.sch.uk

Useful links

www.coldean.brighton-hove.sch.uk

www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/children-and-education

www.dfe.gov.uk