



Contact us

Should you have a concern about the provision for your child or want find out more about the support the service can offer, please contact:

- your centre's Pastoral Manager
- Dawn Johnson (SENCO) 01474 332897 or [djoh nson@nw kaps.kent.sch.uk](mailto:djohnson@nw kaps.kent.sch.uk)
- Deputy Head – Abi Woodhouse
- Headteacher - Marie Woolston

Ethos

At NWKAPS we are committed to creating an inclusive learning community that meets the needs of each pupil. We understand the benefit of working in partnership and seek advice from outside agencies such as at LIFT meetings or health and social care support. This collaborative approach is used to improve provision as well as support families directly.

Training and Equipment

There is a committed team of teachers and teaching assistants who regularly attend SEND training. Each SEND Mentor has an area of expertise and liaises with others to ensure support can be offered across the service. We invest in resources to support each pupil's needs. Where necessary, we work with the Local Authority to borrow more specialised equipment. We ensure that every pupil has the tools to succeed and the support to know it is possible.

North West Kent Alternative Provision Service Special Educational Needs and Disability Information Report

Admissions



When your child is referred to our school, your family will be invited to attend a meeting with members of the SLT and pastoral team. We will discuss the needs your child may have and will invite them to return for initial assessments to establish ability, skills and information to enable us to create a supportive transition plan for when they join us.

Curriculum



Our school offers a broad and balanced curriculum, designed to allow them to successfully reintegrate back into mainstream or to access ambitious post-16 destinations. Every opportunity is made available to pupils with or without special educational needs.

Interventions



Our SEND Mentor team have specialist areas of expertise. They offer 1:1 sessions to quickly boost skills in areas of identified need, and also provide long-term support where required. We support pupils with a range of literacy and numeracy interventions (including RWI spelling programme, Success@arithmetic,) as well as support for SEMH and specific condition-related needs (including Draw and Talk, counselling and use of our sensory rooms).

Exam Support



Some pupils will complete their GCSE exams with us. Our SENCO is a qualified assessor for Access Arrangements. She will test your child to ensure any needs are identified and the correct exam support is in place to ensure the best possible outcomes.

Outside Agency Support



We feel that the best way to ensure that a pupil is given all of the support they need is to liaise with and, when necessary, use the services of outside agencies. We have strong connections with our area SEND team and Early Help, and we participate in the LIFT forum as well as engaging with multiple specific support organisations, such as We Are With You.

Parental involvement

At NWKAPS, we value a strong partnership between parents and the team working with your child. When your child starts you will be invited to attend an induction meeting. You be provided with information on intervention and support for your child and invited to meet with us to review these provisions.

Pupil voice

Each pupil is at the heart of everything we do. They are central to the SEND support. Within each stage of planning, reviewing and setting ambitious targets we work with the pupil, taking account of their views and opinions.

Provision for disabled pupils

NWKAPS is committed to ensure no pupil is disadvantaged by any disability. Each pupil's needs are considered and barriers identified, with plans on how to remove these. Should you require further information on our provision for disabled pupils please contact Dawn Johnson (SENCO).

Local offer

Details of Kent's Local Offer can be found at <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs>

Complaints

Please see NWKAPS's complaints policy for details.