SEN Information Report

Stoke Newington school is a fully inclusive secondary comprehensive school in Hackney.

We currently have, on roll, students with a wide variety of needs, from cerebral palsy to ADHD, from ASD to complex medical needs.

We welcome students with SEN, and take SEN students both in year 6 and as mid term entries. All students with a statement or EHC plan, who wish to transfer to SNS, are carefully considered as to whether we can meet their needs at SNS. The admission of any pupil with a disability is carefully planned with the YCC and the Inclusion faculty. The progress of students with disabilities is monitored, and activities such as trips and clubs are planned, so that all students can take part, and students with disabilities are not disadvantaged

We identify and assess pupils with SEN effectively through teacher and LSA feedback, our multi agency meeting and through our liaison with the feeder primary schools.

We regularly review the effectiveness of our provision, through discussion with the educational psychologists attached to the school. The link governor for inclusion also feeds into this discussion. The academic progress of the students is evaluated through termly meetings and through the annual exam analysis meetings with the Head teacher.

The academic progress of all pupils at SNS is assessed regularly and this information is fed back to parents termly through the progress checks. After each progress check, the achievement of the students with SEN is considered and, when appropriate, interventions are put in place.

The curriculum is adapted for students with SEN. Student who arrive in year 7 on level 3c or below are taught in KS3 in smaller groups for English, and Maths. There is a wide curriculum offer at KS4 with a Foundation Pathway for students who would struggle with a more traditional programme. All teachers differentiate their lessons so that SEN students can access the curriculum effectively

Students with statements or EHPs are supported though in class LSA support and through the small groups for maths and English. Students with behavioural difficulties are also supported through the mentor team.

Students with statements/EHPs are supported by an LSA from a specialist team. The 3 teams are led by a senior LSA and are SEMH, ASD with sensory impairment,

SLCN with SpLD. The SpLD team supports students with dyslexia and dyspraxia. Alongside the regular extra-curricular activities offered to the students outside lesson times, there are clubs targeted to SEN students. These include a small homework club at lunch time, peer listeners twice a week at lunch time and the Hub, a quiet nurturing environment for students at break and lunch away from the canteen and outside spaces.

There is support available for students with emotional and social difficulties. Such support includes the school counsellor, speech and language therapist, anti-bullying mentor, mentoring from the Pastoral Team, and referrals to outside agencies such as CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health service)

The Head Teacher liaises with the Head of Inclusion so that a student's SEN is taken into account when deciding on a possible Exclusion.

The SEN co-ordinator at SNS is Mary Straw, the Inclusion Leader. She can be contacted on mary.straw@sns.hackney.sch.uk.

There are 2 teachers in the SEN department and all are fully qualified, experienced and trained effectively and 1 has additional SEN qualifications, (one with the Grad Dip in SEN) SNS is fully equipped to support students with SEN. The building is fully accessible with 4 lifts and a hygiene room suitable for physiotherapy. Parents of SEN pupils with statements/EHCs are consulted though Initial planning meetings and through the annual reviews.

All parents of students on the SEN register are invited into school in September of Year 7, to meet the SEN department, and parents are welcome to contact the school if they have a concern.

All students with a statement/EHC are consulted about their provision. Every July they are consulted about their support though the year. This information feeds into their provision for the following year.

Every November, the school hosts Inclusion Week, with staff and students feeding into the programme. This is an empowering time for students with SEN. The film from November 2013 Inclusion Week is available to view here

All parents are entitled to use the complaints policy. This policy is available on the school website.

The school meets the needs of students with SEN by consulting with external agencies. This is facilitated though a fortnightly multi agency meeting (SSN). All referrals to social care and CAMHS are co-ordinated by the school's Pastoral Counsellors.

Support services for parents of students with SEN can be found on the Hackney Learning

Trust website or through

Hackney SENDIAGS

Resource Centre, Hackney Ark

Downs Park Road

London E8 2HY

Tel: 020 7014 7123

The school plans carefully for the transition from primary school to SNS. It also communicates effectively with local colleges, so those students with SEN are able to transfer to post 16 courses in an appositive manner.

The local authority local offer is also available on Hackney Learning Trust website.