

The Secondary School



Brookfields
Specialist SEN School



Who are we?

The Secondary department is divided into 3 areas:

- Key Stage 3 (11-14)
- Key Stage 4 (14-16)
- 6th Form (16-19).

The Secondary School team consists of Specialist Subject Teachers, dedicated Subject Teaching Assistants, Specialist Teaching Assistants and Teaching Assistants. This team work in partnership with the schools' services to ensure that all pupils are able to access the curriculum.

The Curriculum and Accredited Courses

Each of the Key Stages in the Secondary School provide a richly differentiated curriculum offering breadth and balance which ensures that all pupils learning and emotional needs are met in an age appropriate and motivating manner. For some pupils who require a more academic challenge, we use the National Curriculum to support their learning.

There is a strong emphasis on the core skills of English/Communication, Numeracy, Emotional Literacy, Self Help and Independence and social skills. The curriculum is enriched by a range of creative and physical education programmes and opportunities, including extra-curricular activities and residential trips, sports clubs and hobby clubs.

Pupils in Key Stage 4 and 6th Form can follow accredited courses leading to recognised national qualifications.

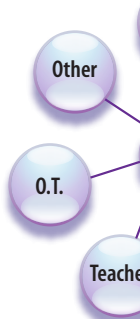
If appropriate, there are opportunities for some pupils to take GCSEs, Entry Level Certificate and Functional Skills qualifications.

A well established and thriving work-related learning programme and Work Experience opportunities, alongside college link courses (Reading College, Newbury College, BCA), supports the pupils' growing independence and readiness for life after school.

What we do

Each pupil has their identified multidisciplinary educational team who work in partnership with parents and families to ensure that the educational and developmental needs of each pupil are met through the needs led curriculum. This team will be drawn from the following professionals and will be based on each pupil's statement.

- Class Tutor
- Specialist Teachers
- Autism and Behavioural Support Service Team
- Sensory Resource Team
- Classroom Assistants
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Physiotherapist
- Occupational Therapist
- MOVE Practitioner
- Connexions Advisor



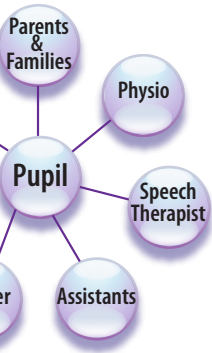
Working in Partnership

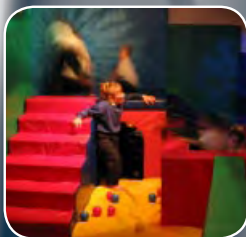
We value the partnership we have with parents. Before pupils start at school, there are opportunities for them and their parents to visit the school.

We know the transition from one school to another can be difficult so we try to make it as easy as possible process. Close liaison between home and school is so important and therefore we offer a range of different opportunities to do this:

- Home/school book
- Telephone
- Email
- SchoolComms (text and email)
- Monthly coffee mornings
- Termly Progress Meetings
- Annual Reviews
- Transition Reviews
- Destination Evenings
- Open Mornings
- Assemblies
- Parent Training
- Parties
- Teacher/Parents Association

For further information, please call the school on 0118 9421382





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