



## St. Clements’s School SEND Report 2022-2023

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At our school, teachers are responsible for overseeing the academic and emotional wellbeing of all pupils through normal school reporting and high quality teaching.

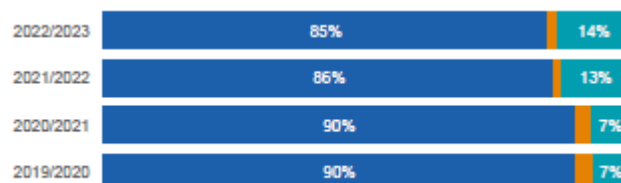
The SENDCo and Teacher of the ARC work closely with the staff and the Leadership Team to ensure that the needs of children with SEND are met.

### Specific SEND Facts of St Clement’s School

In the academic year 2022-2023, 14% of our children were on the inclusion register. This was slightly higher than the previous 4 years.

In 2022-2023,

- 1% of pupils on the inclusion register have a RON
- 14% of pupils are receiving SEN Support



In our school, Speech, Language or Communication is the highest SEND area of need.

## **Additional Resource Centre**

Our diverse needs-based ARC is an integral part of our school community, ensuring that every child has access to the support and resources they need to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. We are dedicated to creating an inclusive environment where every child feels valued and supported.

Our ARC was initially established to support profoundly deaf pupils in Jersey. As a result, our learning environments are acoustically advanced, equipped with sound field technology to enhance listening conditions for all children in the school. However, in September 2023, we expanded our provision to cater to children with a range of special educational needs, furthering our commitment to inclusion and accessibility.

We are dedicated to supporting children with special educational needs to enable pupils to reach their full potential and take pride in their achievements. We set high aspirations for our children and provide them with the necessary tools and skills to succeed academically and beyond. Our inclusive approach fosters individual academic achievements, ensuring that each child receives personalised support and guidance whilst also nurturing the growth of compassionate individuals who we aspire to see making a positive difference in the wider community. We collaborate with a range of specialist agencies, including Speech and Language therapists, Educational Psychologists, ASCIT, SEMHIT, and Occupational Therapy, to ensure that all children receive the best possible support.

Placements in the ARC are determined by the Education Department based on a child's Record of Need. We work closely with the department to ensure that each child receives the appropriate level of support and intervention. Our dedicated team is committed to providing adaptable teaching that is personalised to each child's specific needs, following the principles outlined in the Jersey SEN Code of Practice.

We ensure collaboration between our school and families, recognising that strong home-school links are essential for a child's success. We encourage regular communication, involvement in decision-making, and provide support and guidance to parents and carers.

We are proud of the support and resources we provide and will continue to ensure that all children have the opportunity to thrive and achieve their full potential.

## **Attainment and Progress of the SEND children at St Clement's School in 2022-2023**

- Percentage of SEND children achieving Developing or above in Reading has improved this year - 78% (July 2022) and 81% (July 2023).
- Percentage of SEND children achieving Developing or above in Writing has improved from 72% (July 2022) to 74% (July 2023)
- Percentage of SEND children achieving Developing or above in Maths has decreased slightly this year - 84% (July 2022) to 81% (July 2023).

**At our school, we work hard to ensure we provide for all our pupils irrespective of their needs. We ensure that support that we provide is holistic and focuses on the whole child. We make various adaptations to the curriculum and learning environment for children and young people with SEND, these include:-**

- Instructions are broken into small steps
- Visual prompts are available
- Positioning of pupils with hearing and visual difficulties within the classroom and use of aids are planned for as recommended by outside agencies
- Use of the Soundfield System across all classrooms to improve access to teaching.
- Use of iPads are planned for
- Concrete resources are used to develop a secure understanding of abstract concepts.
- Use of sensory breaks are used as appropriate
- Use of a quiet room when necessary
- Access to a differentiated and personalised curriculum as appropriate
- Use of targeted interventions as appropriate
- Pre and post tutoring to reinforce new learning concepts
- Additional time on tasks if required

#### **SEND Training that took place during the last two academic years at St Clement's School.**

- Use of audiology equipment in the classroom
- Providing feedback to move learning forward
- ADHD training
- Zones of Regulation
- Use of concrete resources in the learning process, with particular reference to Maths
- Super Sensory Systems – Anne Laure Jackson
- ASCIT Teacch Workstation training
- 'Making Sense of Autism' training (AET)

#### **Support for improving Emotional and Social development during the last two years**

Pupils were supported by:

- A Counter-Bullying policy with contributions from all members of the school community
- PSHE, RSE programme of work followed by all classes
- Access to our 'Quiet Place' and our 'Lighthouses'.
- 4 ELSA-'s that are trained to support children with programmes such as friendship issues, anger management and self-esteem building. They have also had specific training to respond to the psychological and social impact of Covid 19.
- Targeted Well-Being support for individuals and groups (including class sessions)
- Targeted, specialist teaching supporting deaf children's personal understanding and management of their hearing difficulties
- Access to Zones of Regulation which is a tool they can use to express to those around them how they are feeling and how this may impact on their behaviour.

- The school is working towards its Silver Rights Respecting Award. Part of this process will make the children aware of their rights, their talents are nurtured and they are able to thrive.
- Development of the Nature School/Sensory Garden so that more children in the school are able to benefit from this resource.
- Staff meeting clarifying PSHE statutory curriculum requirements and what is classified as 'curriculum enhancements'.

## **SEND Arrangements at St Clement's School**

### **Identifying and assessing children with SEND**

At our school we acknowledge that every child is an individual and should be valued as such. We believe that all children should have their needs met and should be given equal access to the curriculum. Our aim is to provide provision for those children with SEND, whatever their needs maybe, so that they can reach their full potential. We use a Continuum of Assessment and a Graduated Approach to ensure that this happens.

The school is able to request specialised assessments from external agencies and professionals to inform their understanding and provision for a particular child. The school and the other professionals will work together to decide on whether the child's needs are complex enough for a Record of Need to be written.

At our school, we are all responsible for supporting and meeting the needs of pupils with SEND. However, there are some members of staff who have specific responsibilities.

**Head and Deputy Teacher** - The Head Teacher is responsible for the day to day managing of the school. The Deputy Head Teacher is the SENDCO and they work together to plan how the children with SEND are supported in school.

**Class Teachers** - The Class Teacher is responsible for the progress of every child in their class. They are also responsible for identifying and planning additional support any child may need. The teachers and support staff work collaboratively to deliver the planned learning.

**SENDCO**- The SENDCO is responsible for coordinating all the support for children with SEND. They are also responsible for updating the Inclusion Register. The SENDCO is accountable for ensuring that reports and detailed records are kept and used to plan for each child's needs and progress.

**Support Staff** – Support staff are an integral part of classroom life at St Clement's School. They work alongside the Class Teacher to ensure that all children in the class receive high quality support when it is needed.

**Teacher of the ARC** - The Teacher of the ARC is responsible for managing the ARC provision in school. They manage a group of skilled staff who meet the needs of ARC pupils with complex special educational needs.

**Parents** - At St Clement School we acknowledge that parents know their child better than anyone else. In this way, they are included in decision making and are informed about the nature of any support. In this way, they can work alongside the school to ensure that the needs of their child are met and that the potential of their child is being worked towards.

### **Arrangements for consulting parents/carers of children and young people with SEND and involving them in their education**

At St Clement's School we have an "open door" policy of always welcoming parental input. We believe the most important relationships the school have are between the parent/carer, school and the child. Any discussions about any aspect of a child's progress or development should start with the class teacher. Parents of all children are invited to parents' evenings twice annually and receive a written annual report. If a child is identified as requiring support that is over and above what is ordinarily available the parents are informed of the need and how it will be worked towards. If it is identified that a child needs to be referred to an external agency the parents are always informed and a signature of consent is required. If a child is referred to an Educational Psychologist the parental view and experiences of the child are always incorporated into the process.

Process:

- Meeting between class teacher and SENDCo
- Meeting with parents
- Class actions with review dates
- Outcomes monitored, if little or no progress made, advice from other professionals
- Referrals are made in consultation with parents
- Reviewed regularly

The SENDCo regularly contacts parents to keep them updated with any issues or consideration of new strategies. Parents can contact or make an appointment to see or talk with the SENDCo at any convenient time if they have a concern or need advice.

Parents of pupils who have a Record of Need are also invited to discuss their child's progress at their Annual Review. When this involves pupils in Year 6, the SENDCo from the selected secondary school is invited.

- Parents are encouraged to contribute to their child's targets.
- The school has provision to ensure pupils with SEND have access to all areas of the curriculum. Teachers make full use of the school environment and resources to meet individual needs.
- The curriculum is adapted to meet the needs of individual pupils, and where necessary personalised.
- Full support is given to those pupils who have a medical condition, including issues concerning suitable staff training, the storage and administering of medicines, and the management of frequent absences. Health care plans are written and implemented in conjunction with the school nurse/ other medical professional.

## **Arrangements for supporting children and young people moving between educational phases**

At St Clement's School, we prepare all children for new beginnings. This is done in an age and stage appropriate way. We recognise that transitions can be difficult for all children, especially a child with SEND. The school follows guidelines set out in the Transition policy (Children and Young People, Education and Skills Department "CYPES") to support pupils with transition to secondary school. Additional visits are arranged for pupils with SEND if needed as set out in the guidelines. Pupils within the Additional Resourced Centre (ARC) have further opportunities for focussed visits to the secondary ARC school. Managers liaise and discuss needs and arrangements for individual pupils. Copies of essential paperwork are transferred to the secondary schools in the summer term.

The EYFS Leader, Head Teacher and EYFS teachers liaise with the local pre-schools and reception classes to arrange visits where appropriate. Pupils are invited to transition sessions and have a graduated transition to Nursery/ Reception. We work closely with the Education Welfare Officer to ensure all relevant information is shared and all necessary arrangements have been made. If a child moves to St Clement's School from another school, we meet the parents and the child. We also liaise with the previous school to discuss individual needs and decide how to best to support the transition to our school.

## **The approach to teaching children and young people with SEND**

At our school, all the teachers have high, but realistic expectations, for all the children in their class. The children are taught and assessed against the Jersey Curriculum. All teaching is based on building on what the child already knows, can do and can understand.

Provision for SEND pupils includes:

- Adaptations to the curriculum
- Assessment spiral (plan, do, review)
- Alternative ways of recording their ideas (ICT, photographs, evidence files)
- Extra adult support in classrooms where appropriate
- Time limited evidence based intervention programmes
- Personalised provision through adapted resources and interventions
- Advice from external agencies

## **Arrangements for staffing**

At St Clement's School, the Leadership Team include in their annual School Improvement Plan training needs for all staff so that they can better meet the special educational needs of the children in their class. Expertise and training of staff who support children and young people with SEND, (including how specialist support will be secured) takes place during staff meetings, team meetings and through attendance at IEI training. The SENDCo has gained the National Award for SEN Co-ordination and is an experienced teacher. The SENDCo regularly attends training and meets with other SENDCos in a local cluster group to keep up to date with current documentation and initiatives. Teachers and support staff are trained to deliver a range of effective interventions, including BR@P, WellComm, Letters and Sounds and ELSA.

Lead keyworkers working in the school's ARC have regular and ongoing specialist training from a variety of external agencies.

In the last two years, specialist expertise has been sought from the following external agencies - Speech and Language Therapy and Occupational Therapy and also from CYPES from Educational Psychology, ASCIT, CAMHS, HDST, and SEMHIT.

### **Information about evaluating the effectiveness of provision for children and young people with SEND**

The SENDCo and inclusion specialists are used for in-class and school based observations of pupils. The SENDCo, Teacher of the ARC, class teachers and support staff have performance and review meetings as part of an annual cycle. Staff have regular informal opportunities to meet with the SENDCo and Teacher of the ARC to discuss the needs and arrangements of pupils. Regular liaison between all teaching staff to evaluate strategies used for lesson planning ensures continuity and progression for all pupils as well as those with SEND. Half-termly Team around the Child (TAC) meetings are organised as well as the Annual Review meetings for pupils with a Record of Need.

### **How children and young people with SEND are enabled to engage in activities available with children and young people in school who do not have SEND**

At St Clement's School we want all of our children to participate in all activities wherever possible. We adapt our risk assessments so that all children can participate safely, in accordance with current policy and guidelines. We take special care to ensure that all our children are feeling emotionally secure to participate in these different activities.

All extra-curricular clubs and activities are available for all pupils, including our school performances and Morning Club. A one night residential trip is offered to all pupils in Year 6 and a residential trip to France, or a local alternative, is organised for Year 5. The individual needs of our SEND students are discussed with parents, teacher and the child before each individual trip and appropriate accommodations are made. There are a number of school and class visits organised throughout the year. These are also all risk assessed so that appropriate accommodations are made.

### **Accessibility plan**

At St Clement's School we are constantly looking at ways of facilitating access to our school building and learning environments and also to all teaching and learning activities. Through self-review, staff appraisal and Continuous Professional Development we aim to enhance staff knowledge, skills and understanding to promote excellent teaching and learning for all children. All learning environments are acoustically advanced - all classrooms and main teaching areas are fitted with sound field technology to improve listening conditions for all children at the school. The school evaluates its ARC against quality standards and evidenced based practice to ensure the successful inclusion of its children. We are committed to inclusion and in this way we will work with specialists to ensure that our school is accessible to all those children who attend, or are due to attend.

## How the school involves other services, including health and social care, local authority support services and voluntary sector organisations in meeting SEND and supporting families

External support services play an important part in helping our school identify, assess and make provision for pupils with SEND. The school is supported by the Educational Psychology Service, the Speech and Language Therapy Department, Hearing Support Team, Occupational Therapy, the Well Being Service, Educational Welfare, the EAL Service, Early Help, Family Nursing, Physiotherapy, the Behaviour Support Service and Family Support Workers.

We have recently updated our parents room at school and we have plans to develop it further. One of the purposes of this room is to signpost parents to relevant outside agencies.

The Jersey Online Directory is available in different languages, please see the link below. These pages provide details on how to access support groups, services, organisations and activities, in Jersey, that are right for you. If parents or staff are unable to find what they are looking for, they can contact Citizens Advice Jersey on 0800 735 0249 or by using the link below:

### ***Jersey Online Directory:***

<http://www.iod.ie/kb5/jersey/directory/home.page>

### ***Citizen's Advice Jersey:***

<https://www.citizensadvice.je/>

