

Meet the Inclusion Team!



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The SEND Oakhurst Offer!

Mental Health and Wellbeing support for children comprising of: Drawing and Talking Therapy, Emotional Literacy sessions, Lego Therapy and interventions provided through the Inclusion team focusing on social and emotional learning

A Dyslexia friendly learning environment with adjustments made for those pupils who require adapted provision such as; visual over lays, check list, alternative methods of recording e.g. laptops/talking tins

A variety of evidence-based interventions to close the gaps in English and Maths, these include; precision teaching for reading and spelling, number stacks, Read, Write Inc and many more!

A supportive and friendly Inclusion team who are here to support the young person and the family

My Plan Journal sharing sessions for parents of children with SEND. A great opportunity to share the progress with your child, have coffee and cake and meet other parents

Life skills sessions – to promote those skills required to prepare your child for adulthood and being out in the community

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Two members of staff trained in Assist for life


A well-resourced Sensory room and Therapy room

A school ethos centred around access for all and providing aspirational outcomes for pupils with SEND

Breakout areas to support emotional regulation


Access to outside services such as; Educational Psychologist, Occupational Therapist, Speech and Language Support, Physical Disability Team, Hearing Impairment Team and the Cognition and Learning Team

Regular 'Team around the family' meetings for families and children in need of early intervention



What do parents
say about our
mental health and
wellbeing
support...

“In the short time since I have asked for help, the school has made a huge difference to xxx’s mental health, and the strategies taught are allowing her to have a much more positive outlook towards all areas of her life. We couldn't be more grateful for this and send huge thanks”.




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“6 months ago, xxx was in a bad place with anxiety and OCD to the point she wasn’t leading a normal life she wouldn’t go to school her normal clubs that she loved etc she just wanted to be next to me.

I turned to the school for advice and support, and this has been short of a miracle worker on xxx.

Xxx has been having sessions which has shown xxx ways to deal with her anxiety and also her OCD and xxx has taken this on board and is now so so much better in herself and her anxiety she is nearly back to her old self going to school happy and to clubs and even going over to friends houses again! And now doesn’t even need these sessions because of how far she has come.

I can’t honestly say how grateful I am to the school for taking the time to help xxx through this. To see your child suffer how xxx was is just the hardest thing ever but the school has worked miracles and I just had to write in to commend the work, the compassion and empathy towards xxx has been second to none”.



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“Thank you for taking the time to listen to my concerns today, firstly without your knowledge I would have never asked the direct questions we needed to ask. By asking those direct questions we have discovered that we have misunderstood his feelings and intentions”.

“I cannot thank you enough for your support and guidance and I'm thankful to you for your training in this field”.

An Assist trained member of staff offered support and advice to a parent concerned about suicide.