



Beaminster School

SEND Information Report September 2024

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<p>The kinds of Special Education Needs and Disabilities which are provided for at Beaminster School</p>	<p>Beaminster School recognises that students with special educational needs may fall into one or more of the following four categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication & Interaction • Cognition & Learning • Social, emotional and mental health difficulties • Sensory and/or physical needs
<p>How Beaminster School identifies and assess young people with SEND?</p>	<p>Young people with SEND are identified and assessed by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information passed on from primary schools • Whole school literacy screening in Yr7 & Yr9 • Individual assessments for access arrangements • Teacher referrals • TA referrals • Parent referrals • Student referrals
<p>How Beaminster School supports young people with SEND?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High quality, responsive teaching to meet the needs of pupils who have or may have SEN • A student passport which is shared with staff • Interventions • Assistive technology • Access Arrangements • TA support in the classroom • Student Support & Guidance Centre (SSGC) • Learning Hubs • Outside agencies EP service, specialist teachers, Hearing Support Service, CAMHS, SALT, Prout Bridge • Support to access extracurricular activities • Support for trips & visits
<p>What facilities Beaminster School has to support young people with SEND</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The physical environment has lifts to secure wheelchair access • Disabled toilets • Acoustic adjustments in classrooms to support young people with hearing difficulties • Use of Assistive technology • Sensory room • Differentiated access to curriculum • Pathways curriculum in Yr10 & 11
<p>What support is available for improving the social emotional and mental health of young people with SEND?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHCE curriculum delivered in lessons • ELSA • Zones of regulation • Referrals to CAMHS if appropriate • Student Support & Guidance Centre (SSGC) • Counselling service • Wellbeing Room • Trusted adult Check-ins • Communication groups • Sensory room

Arrangements for consulting with young people with SEND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student voice • Regular check ins • Open door policy to the Inclusion Office • Open Door policy to the Learning Hub • Annual reviews • Student surveys
Arrangements for consulting with parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email SDinsmore@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk • Telephone 01308 862633 • SENCO available at academic monitoring day and parent's evening • Termly parent coffee mornings • Termly parent newsletters • Parental surveys • TAF meetings • Meetings on request
How we support young people transferring to Beaminster School?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENCO attends Yr6 transition visits at all feeder primary schools • SENCo attends Yr6 Annual Reviews if invited by primary school • Extra visit/ enhanced transition to Beaminster School prior to induction days • Induction days
How we support young people with SEND transferring to college?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taster days at college • Appointment with career's advisor • KS4-5 Key worker • College SENCOs invited to attend annual reviews • Transfer of documents to SENCO in meetings • Focus on developing confidence and independence
What training do staff in SEND have?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENCO has National Award for SENCO qualification • Specialist Literacy & Assessment Teacher - Level 7 qualification in Teaching children with SpLD • ELSA trained TA • Regular CPD for staff • Specialist advice & training from external services including SENSS, VI, HI, CAMHS, SALT, OT and EP
Key members of staff	Headteacher: Mr Keith Hales SEN Governor: Ms Philippa Richardson SENCo: Mrs Siobhan Dinsmore
Local Offer	The Local Offer is published on the following website www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk
Complaints	The Complaints Policy is published on the school website. It is hoped that all situations of concern can be resolved quickly through discussion and early action, please don't hesitate to contact the SENCO by phone or email SDinsmore@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk 01308 862633