



Addendum to SEND Policy and SEND Information Report

September 2020

In view of the extended time out of school for some of our pupils and the social, emotional changes they have experienced, we are adapting our approaches as needed on an individual case by case basis. This means that although we have a thorough, detailed risk assessment, we are aware that adjustments may need to be made to accommodate the needs of children for whom the new school year is more of a challenge. This may impact how a child comes into school, what support a child is offered during the school day and what additional resources might be offered in order to ensure each child feels safe, secure and happy.

Communication with parents and carers is key to a successful transition back into school at this time. We therefore welcome contact and we hope then to work together collaboratively for the best outcome for each child.

As a result of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the following adjustments are in place at Rosegrove Infant School:

- All children will have access to a relevant curriculum through planned lessons, which will take into account any missed knowledge or skills during the Covid-19 pandemic as well as any social, emotional or well-being needs the children may have.
- Transition into school has been well planned to ensure all information is shared and any children needing an enhanced transition will receive the support necessary.
- Reviews of EHCP plans, SEND Support plans, consultations with professionals such as Speech and Language Therapists and members of the Lancashire SEN team will be carried out remotely via phone or video calls.
- Outside agencies will support school, parents and children via telephone or through online platforms. Where appropriate, outside professionals will be permitted to work with children in school after a risk assessment and provisions have been made to accommodate their visit.
- Liaisons between parents and staff will be conducted via telephone where possible and if face to face meeting are absolutely necessary they will be carried out following social distancing and safety guidelines.
- School will continue to signpost parents and carers to professional support agencies.
- It would be beneficial for parents and carers to read this policy addendum alongside the behaviour policy addendum.

Full guidance can be found at the following:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

