

Learning to live, living to learn

## Strategies for supporting pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Maths lessons

| Individual Need | Here's how we can help everyone learn... <br> Attention Deficit <br> Hyperactivity Disorder |
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|  | - A non-confrontational approach will be used in <br> every aspect of the maths lesson. <br> - Adult support during the key skills and sessions <br> where children are using whiteboards to record <br> their answers. |
| - Verbal praise is given whenever necessary to help |  |
| boost confidence and self-esteem. |  |
| - Use of pictorial representations to support the |  |
| Iearning taking place. |  |
| - Use concrete resources to support new |  |
| mathematical concepts. |  |


| Autistic Spectrum |  |
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| Disorder | - Visual timetables are used to support the <br> organisation where needed. <br> - Visual cues/resources are used to support the <br> child as necessary throughout the session. <br> - A learning space is provided that best suits the <br> child. |
|  | - There is a consistent approach to the maths <br> lesson with any changes made known to the <br> child beforehand. <br> - Sensory breaks are given whenever necessary. <br> - Mathematical vocabulary is integrated into the <br> lesson throughout, with visuals to support new <br> language. |
|  | - Staff support pupils with their understanding by <br> use of appropriate questioning periodically, to <br> identify misconceptions or where further <br> explanation/support is required. |
| - Staff ensure that the child has a clear |  |
| understanding of what they are expected to |  |
| achieve during the lesson. |  |


|  | maths book, as needed/requested. <br> Dyspraxia <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> - A large learning space will be provided as <br> appropriate. <br> Instructions can be written out for the child, using <br> different colours for each line, as appropriate. <br> - Diagrams will be provided before labelling/editing. <br> Children can move around the classroom whenever <br> necessary. |
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| When using mathematical equipment, an adult or |  |
| supportive peer will provide demonstration of how |  |
| to successfully use the equipment. |  |


|  | understanding. <br> - Information will be repeated clearly, varying the vocabulary used or re-iterating key vocabulary to support understanding. <br> - SMART pages and PowerPoint slides will be simple and uncluttered with key information highlighted. <br> - Children will be provided with a 'work-buddy' during peer activities/opportunities. |
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| Speech, Language and Communication Needs | - Visual timetables, signs and symbols will be used to support communication as required. <br> - Visual displays (maths working walls) will be used to support understanding of key information. <br> - Any verbal instructions/information will be at a slow, clear pace that matches the child's understanding. <br> - Adults will regularly check the child's understanding so that adults can identify any misconceptions or misunderstandings. |
| Tourette Syndrome | - Adults will listen and respond to the child with support and understanding. <br> - A structure will be provided (tick list) to support the learning taking place, this will be differentiated to the maths activity and include the main elements needed to aid the child's attention. <br> - There will be understanding that the activity may not be completed. |
| Experienced Trauma | - The maths learning environment will be a calm, trusting place where children feel supported with their emotions at all times. <br> - Adults working with the child will be aware of any triggers and any ways to further support the child within the classroom. <br> - There will be a consistent approach to expectations and behaviour that are based on positive praise. |
| Visual Impairment | - Anything that is being displayed (PowerPoint presentation, maths working wall) will be large and easily visible from anywhere in the classroom <br> - Children will be able to 'take a break' from their maths learning whenever needed to ensure they are able to focus visually and avoid fatigue. <br> - Images and text within any printed work will be enlarged with the recommended font size. <br> - Children will be provided with a thicker and darker pencil to ensure their writing is clear. <br> - Children may be provided with a larger squared exercise book if preferred. |

