

SEND Information Report

Welcome to our **SEND Information Report** which is part of Durham County Council's Local Offer for children and young people with Special Educational Needs.

At Woodham Academy we recognise that all pupils are entitled to a quality of provision that will enable them to achieve their potential. We believe in positive intervention, removing barriers to learning, raising expectations and levels of achievement and working in partnership with other agencies in order to provide a positive educational experience for all our pupils including those with a special educational need or disability.

Our school recognises there are particular groups of pupils whose circumstances require additional consideration by those who work with them to support their SEN.

At Woodham Academy our SENCO (Mrs McGinney) is also our Designated Teacher for Looked after Children, she ensures that all teachers in school understand the implications for those children who are looked after and have SEN.

At Woodham Academy we ensure that all pupils, regardless of their specific needs make the best possible progress.

There are now four broad areas of SEND. These are:

- **Communication and Interaction**
This area of need includes children with Autism Spectrum Condition and those with Speech, Language and Communication Needs
- **Cognition and Learning**
This includes children with Specific Learning Difficulties, Moderate Learning Difficulties, Severe Learning Difficulties and Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties
- **Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties**
This includes any pupils who have an emotional, social or mental health need that is impacting on their ability to learn
- **Sensory and/or Physical Difficulties**
This area includes children with hearing impairment, visual impairment, multi-sensory impairment and physical difficulties.