
Initial visit to the school or mainstream setting.

The SLD Outreach Support Service coordinator will visit the school or setting, meet your child and identify, through discussion with key staff, what support the school or setting requires.

What next?

Someone from the SLD Outreach Support Service will work with the staff at your child's school to develop their expertise in the identified areas of need. We might, for example, start by helping school staff to make an accurate assessment of your child's level of attainment.

We will provide on-going support to the school in adapting the class curriculum and resources.

We may support the school in planning for your child's move to a new Key Stage or to secondary school.

We may support the school or setting in planning for your child's transition to another school or setting.

Contact us

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Severe Learning Difficulties Outreach Support Service

Information for parents and carers



We work with schools and mainstream settings to support effective inclusion of every child and young person with severe/complex learning difficulties through removing barriers to presence, participation and achievement.



Children and Young People's Service

What is the SLD outreach support service?

The Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD) Outreach Support Service is provided by four special schools.

Its purpose is to provide additional specialist support to mainstream schools and settings that include children and young people with severe learning difficulties.

What will the service do?

We will be supporting staff through:

- helping schools and mainstream settings to tailor the curriculum to meet your child's needs;
- demonstrating approaches to teaching and learning to match your child's needs;
- sharing our specialist skills and resources; and
- offering training to mainstream staff.

Who will be providing the support?

Staff from local special schools will work with your child's teachers and teaching assistants.

The four schools are:

- Springwater School, Harrogate.
 - Springhead School, Scarborough.
 - The Dales School, Northallerton.
 - Brooklands School, Skipton.
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Why are special schools involved?

The staff in the special schools have distinctive skills and experience in working with children and young people with severe/complex learning difficulties.

The service will take into account other provision in the area and be complementary to existing services.

Why will you be supporting my child's school?

All schools and mainstream settings have been informed about the SLD Outreach Service and have been given contact details of the Service.

Schools and mainstream settings may contact the Service for support in particular areas, or the Service may approach the school or mainstream setting after consultation with other professionals. The Service is available to support any school or mainstream setting that includes children and young people with severe learning needs.

The Service will support schools and mainstream settings in making provision that enhances learning, development, achievement and social inclusion and secure better outcomes for children and young people with severe learning difficulties.

What will it mean for my child?

Staff from the special school will support your child's school or setting with ideas and resources to help them to meet the needs of your child even more effectively.

Who will notify us?

Your child's school or setting will let you know who is involved in supporting them.

Will I be involved?

Your involvement will be encouraged through your child's individual school or setting

How will I be kept informed?

The staff at your child's school or setting will keep you informed of any Service involvement. At regular intervals, staff at your child's school or setting will ask your views on the Service. The Service will listen to and value your feedback and comments,
