

The Collett School is an all age special school for children with Learning Difficulties and complex needs including Autism, sensory needs and associated physical needs.

An important aspect of the work we do is to offer SEN support to mainstream colleagues. We are now part of the Local Authority outreach provision and The Collett School will provide support to local schools through this service.

What Services are on offer?

There are 3 main types of support:

- i) pupil focus support
- ii) school focus support
- iii) INREACH/Training Courses

Pupil Focus Support

May include:

- ✚ Facilitate discussions with parents and other professionals
- ✚ Share ideas
- ✚ Support in developing effective behaviour management strategies
- ✚ Creation of resources to support learning
- ✚ Strategies to assist with inclusion
- ✚ Advice on differentiation and curriculum development
- ✚ Assist in accurate assessments against the P-levels and appropriate target setting
- ✚ Demonstration of equipment and resources
- ✚ Support in transition procedures

School Focus Support

May include:

- ✚ whole school training in areas such as Sign Language, P-levels, Challenging Behaviour, alternative modes of communication etc

Inreach

May include:

- ✚ Visits to Collett to observe practice
- ✚ Visits to Collett to borrow resources
- ✚ Attendance at training events, either one off or short courses.

What makes this service different?

Outreach is delivered by serving teachers who understand about planning and teaching children with additional needs. They understand the pressures of working in a real school. This is a free service with rapid response. This service offers the opportunity to develop a long term supportive relationship between the two settings.

Do outreach staff have special training?

Yes they are qualified teachers who have worked in mainstream and special schools. They have advanced qualifications in special needs.

What is the aim of the outreach service?

Is this a way of getting children considered for a place in special school?

Definitely not! The Outreach Service is intended to support children in mainstream schools, through the input of staff experience and resources from local special schools. The aim is for more children to remain in mainstream schools receiving the education they need to overcome their difficulties. The outreach service encourages schools to develop an inclusive approach to learning.

How do I make a referral?

Complete a Collett Outreach Referral Form. These can be found on the Collett website or through contact with the school, by phone or e mail.

What will happen next?

Upon receipt of the referral we will contact you to identify which type of outreach response is most appropriate.

What does the Outreach Service expect from me?

Effective communication is key to a positive outcome for all. Therefore teachers need to be given time to meet with the Outreach provider and commit to the strategies which are agreed. To continue to improve the service we offer we value evaluation and feedback from all service users.

For further information please telephone the school.

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Supporting mainstream with SEND