

Holly Lodge College of Science



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At Holly Lodge High School the Personalisation Faculty has responsibility for supporting students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We work closely with teachers, parents/carers, outside agencies and students to ensure we meet every student's needs effectively.

It is a time of continuing change in Special Educational Needs Provision. The new SEN Code of Practice was introduced in September 2014 and must be fully implemented within 3 years by the Local Authority and schools. It has introduced the biggest changes in SEN provision for 30 years.

The changes may impact upon your child's provision. However, we will not make any decisions that affect a student without consulting with the child and their parents/carers.

The key changes include the following:

- Statements of Special Educational Need will be replaced by an Education, Health Care Plan (EHCP) over the next 3 years. Students at transition points will be a priority: KS2-3 Year 6-7 and KS4-5 Year 11-12.
- The new EHCP will provide a support package from 0-25 years.
- There is a clearer focus on the participation of children and young people and parents in decision-making at individual and strategic levels.
- There is a stronger focus on high aspirations and on improving outcomes for children and young people.
- Joint planning and co-operation between education, health and social care professionals is emphasised.
- The new Category of SEN Support (Replacing SA and SA+) will include students who require graduated response in terms of Wave 2/3 Interventions and Provision.

If you wish to discuss any of this information or have a question regarding Special Education Needs and provision you can arrange a meeting with the Assistant Head Teacher Personalisation/SENCO Ms Hill on 0121 558 0691

Members of the Personalisation team are always available at Parents' Evenings and school events to answer any questions you may have about provision.

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The Local Offer provides information regarding the Local Authority provision in education, health and social care services in the local area provided for children, young people and families who have SEN or disabilities.

The Sandwell Local Offer is available at

www.sandwell.gov.uk/send

The publication.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-guide-for-parents-and-carers>

August 2014 also provides further information