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Primary Academy

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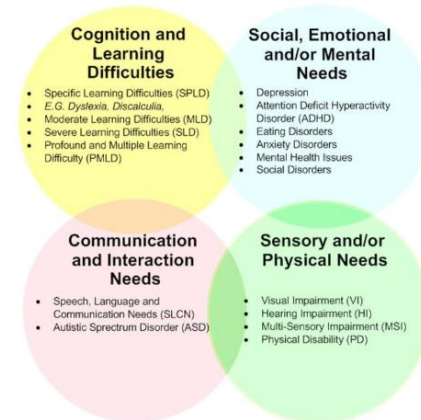
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Miss L Bailey – Head of School & SENDCo

If you have any concerns regarding an area of your child’s development then speak to the class teacher initially, a meeting can then be scheduled with myself to look at the next steps.

We can offer support in line with our SEND offer in the four areas of need. If your child has a difficulty in this area then please speak to their class teacher.



Speech, Language and Communication

What are speech, language and communication needs (SLCN)?

Speech, language and communication needs refers to difficulties in one or more areas of communication, including understanding language, forming words and sentences, and using language in social situations. These needs can affect a child’s ability to communicate effectively with others, express their needs and ideas, and understand what others are saying.

- **Speech:**This refers to the physical act of producing spoken sounds, including difficulties with articulation, fluency (stammering or stuttering), or voice quality (hoarseness).
- **Language:**This encompasses the understanding and use of words, sentences, and grammatical structures, including difficulties with vocabulary, sentence formation, and understanding different grammatical rules.
- **Communication:**This involves the broader aspects of interacting with others, including social rules, turn-taking, and understanding non-verbal cues like facial expressions and body language.
- **Receptive Language:**Difficulty understanding what others say.
- **Expressive Language:**Difficulty using words and sentences to express oneself.
- **Social Communication and Pragmatics:**Difficulty with the social aspects of communication, such as turn-taking, following social rules, and understanding non-verbal cues.

At Shirley Manor we commission a Speech and Language therapist from a company called LINGO. Any questions regarding a referral please contact school.



Please click on the link below to find out more about the amount of support available to children, young people and their families with special educational needs and/or disabilities in Bradford.

<https://localoffer.bradford.gov.uk/kb5/bradford/directory/home.page>

