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<p>Question</p>	<p>Prompt</p>	<p>Answer</p>
<p>How does the school know if children need extra help and what should I do if I think a child may have special educational needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do you identify children with SEN? • How will I be able to raise any concerns I may have? 	<p>Grange CE has an open door policy; believing that frequent contact between staff and parents/carers helps to identify concerns early and address issues as soon as possible. If children, parents/carers have concerns, school staff will be available to discuss those concerns and together the best plan of support will be developed. The child's class teacher will discuss any concerns passed on by the parent/carer with the SENCO/Headteacher.</p> <p>School may have observed a child's difficulties in accessing some aspects of their education. A child may have issues attaining an expected level and barriers to their learning may need to be explored, these maybe specific learning difficulties or general barriers to learning. There may be social/behavioural issues that may become apparent as the child is observed in school or identified by parents/carers. It is important to us as a school that a two way communication is maintained.</p> <p>We have excellent liaison with Grange pre-school and have our own on-site nursery which helps early identification of need and enables us to share concerns, programs of support and to help open a dialogue with parents/carers.</p> <p>Where the child has known additional needs the school works closely with parents/carers and any previous setting to make sure that there is a smooth transition and that resources, as far as possible are in place before the child starts.</p>
<p>How will the school</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who will oversee and plan the 	<p>Pupils and parents/carers together with Class Teachers, with the support of Teaching Assistants, will plan and implement the educational programme, with support from the</p>

<p>support my child?</p>	<p>education programme and who will be working with my child and how often?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What will be their roles? • How are the setting/school/governors involved and what are their responsibilities? 	<p>school SENCo. The frequency of support will be decided by parents/carers and Class Teachers with regard to the views of the child, so that the best way of helping is found, this will be reviewed regularly by all those involved.</p> <p>Teachers, with the support of a Teaching Assistant (where appropriate) and SENCo, will help deliver/oversee the support and assess the impact on the education of the child.</p> <p>The class teacher will keep a record of the child's progress and the actions taken. This will inform the next step for the child.</p> <p>The School SENCo (currently the Headteacher) informs and updates the SEN Governor/s on a regular basis, they are invited to meet the children and view the support that school offers.</p>
<p>How will the curriculum be matched to my child's needs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the school's approaches to differentiation? • How will that help my child? 	<p>Whenever possible, all children are included in class lessons and supported within class with tasks differentiated to a level appropriate to the child's needs. Some lessons take place in classes or groups where the children share an ability level. Occasionally children are taught individually or in small groups for short periods if this is the most appropriate method of supporting their needs.</p> <p>It is expected that all children will be happy, safe and reach their full potential and school will do whatever is possible to fulfil this expectation.</p> <p>This may include adapting materials, changing the way a child accesses the content-such as using IT or having information broken into small chunks, pre-teaching and providing equipment where possible to assist the child to take a full part in the lesson.</p>
<p>How will I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to normal reporting arrangements what opportunities will there be for me to discuss his or her progress with staff? • How does the school know how well my child is doing? • How will I know 	<p>There will be regular opportunities to discuss your child's progress outside the normal reporting arrangements with the Class Teacher, Teaching Assistant or SENCo. Staff are usually available at the beginning or end of the school day for brief discussions or by appointment if you need longer to discuss your child's needs.</p> <p>Grange CE prides itself on having an open door policy and encourages parents/carers to communicate any concerns as soon as possible, sometimes this is by home-school book.</p> <p>Children's targets and outcomes will be shared and discussed with parents/carers. School, with the involvement of parents/carers, will constantly monitor the progress of children and adapt the ways they are taught if necessary,</p>

	<p>what progress my child should be making?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What opportunities will there be for regular contact about things that have happened at school? • How will you explain to me his or her learning is planned and how can I help support this outside school? • How and when will I be involved in planning my child's education? 	<p>progress will be monitored through teacher assessment and where appropriate through tests, such as that used by the school for reading.</p> <p>School will keep parents/carers informed about the progress their child is making and how this compares to age expected attainment.</p> <p>School will give opportunities for parents/carers to have regular contact to facilitate a sharing of information about their child's activities, progress or issues.</p> <p>There will be regular opportunities for parents/carers to discuss the education of their child. This will include the planning and support within school and how this might be best supported by parents/carers at home.</p> <p>Parents/carers will be given the opportunity to discuss the targets set for their child. Progress will be reviewed and new targets set, where appropriate with the involvement of the pupil and parents/carers, each term.</p> <p>Education and Health Care plans will be reviewed in accordance with the SENCode of Practice.</p>
<p>What support will there be for my child's overall well-being?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the pastoral, medical and social support available in the school for children with SEND? • How does the school manage the administration of medicines and providing personal care? • What support is there for avoiding exclusions and 	<p>The safety and well-being of all children at Grange CE is our number one priority.</p> <p>Grange CE offers excellent safeguarding through its dedicated, well trained, staff who follow a stringent Health and Safety Policy.</p> <p>An open dialogue is encouraged with pupils parents/carers and School staff to address any concerns as soon as they arise.</p> <p>Grange CE strives to empower pupils with a child centred practice. The views of pupils are taken into account when planning provision.</p> <p>There is a dedicated toilet area which can be used by pupils who need private facilities and personal care.</p>

	<p>increasing attendance?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will my child be able to contribute his or her views? • How will the school support my child to do this? 	<p>Provision is made for children who require regular medication. This is recorded and monitored by staff with medication being stored as required near to the child or in a secure place elsewhere in the school.</p>
<p>What specialist services and expertise are available at or accessed by the school?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are there specialist staff working at the school and what are their qualifications? • What other services does the school access including: health, therapy and social care? 	<p>The staff at Grange CE are experienced at dealing with and supporting a variety of issues. We constantly keep our skills updated and acquire new skills when the opportunities occur through training and professional development.</p> <p>When we find ourselves faced with issues that we have no previous experience with we endeavour to either up skill ourselves or seek professional advice from external agencies.</p> <p>We have developed links with other schools in the area in order to share good practice, expertise. We also have good links with local professionals and the Local Authority in relation to assessing pupils' needs.</p>
<p>What training is the staff receiving or have completed to support children with SEND (this should include recent and future planned training and disability awareness)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detail staff development and access to training and when this is reviewed and refreshed • Do you have any specialist staff and what do they specialise in? • Do any services work closely or in conjunction with your service? 	<p>Grange CE is a member of the South Lakes Rural Partnership of SENCOs and is able to access an ongoing program of training opportunities that are relevant and appropriate to current good practice.</p> <p>Grange CE has staff on role (or access to staff) who have a variety of specialist training and knowledge including; Reading Intervention, Maths Count, First Aid, and Autism Spectrum Condition, Positive handling-Team Teach, Safeguarding and Dyslexia. Further training for Dyslexia is planned for the next year.</p> <p>Speech and Language Therapy School nurse</p>

<p>How accessible is the school environment ?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the building fully wheelchair accessible? • Have there been any improvements in the auditory and visual environment? • Are there disabled changing and toilet facilities? • How does the school communicate with parents/carers/carers whose first language is not English? 	<p>Our building is partly wheelchair accessible (however part of the school is accessed via a set of stairs) and we have one disabled toileting facility with a changing mat and disposal bin (This is due to be extended during Easter 2016). Doors are wide enough in most parts of the school to allow wheelchair access and the main entrances front and rear, are either on the flat or accessed by a ramp. Play areas are accessible.</p> <p>The school is equipped with carpets in classrooms to aid the auditory environment and blinds on the windows to ensure clarity of visual access.</p> <p>Where free-flow is operated -as in nursery and reception classes, outdoor areas are accessible. Within the class areas equipment is generally stored at child height and low levels to aid independence. Classrooms can be re-organised to provide better flow around tables and storage if required in consultation with the pupil, parents/carers and professionals.</p> <p>We will endeavour to offer translation services for those whose first language is not English if so required.</p> <p>We are able to communicate with parents/carers through a variety of means; face-to face; home-to school books; learning journals in the EYFS; email and text messages.</p>
<p>How will the school prepare and support my child to join the school or to transfer to a new school or the next stage of education and life?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What preparation will there be for both school and my child before he or she joins the school? • How will he or she be prepared to move onto the next stage (transition?) • What information will be provided to his or her new school? • How will you support a new school to prepare for my child? 	<p>Grange CE is always keen to initiate communication between feeder pre-school and nursery schools, and any secondary schools pupils might be moving onto well in advance of any projected transfer.</p> <p>Visits are arranged, meetings attended and information shared between parents/carers and all educational establishments.</p> <p>Parents/carers are encouraged to develop a dialogue with Grange CE staff, to air their worries and concerns and to become familiar with the staff they will be meeting most often.</p> <p>We have induction days in the summer term for new pupils and support our Year 6 pupils in their induction to the secondary school of their choice. Additional transition days (nurture days) can be offered for pupils who need more time to familiarise themselves with the secondary school.</p> <p>When children move to a new school, Grange CE will offer an open communication with the parents/carers and the new establishment. The SENCo will endeavour to establish contacts between the new school and parents/carers and support any transfer.</p>

<p>How are the school's resources allocated and matched to children' SEN?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How is the school's SEN budget allocated? 	<p>Once a child's needs are assessed and the best way of supporting those needs are agreed between the child, the parents/carers and school, then support will be implemented. It maybe that the child is supported through differentiation within class, supported in a small group with similar needs or supported individually. Whatever the means of support, it will be offered with the consent and agreement of the child and the parents/carers. It will be delivered carefully, creatively and economically.</p> <p>To ensure support is being effective it will be regularly reviewed by the child, parents/carers and the school to decide whether it should be maintained, adjusted, increased or diminished.</p> <p>At times a short intense period of support may be sufficient to enable the child to access the curriculum and catch up with peers. In some cases tasks need to be adapted or another adult may need to support the child individually or as part of a group over a longer period of time.</p> <p>Grange CE school employs Teaching Assistants to support individuals and groups on EHCPs. In addition TA support is available depending on need for individuals/gps of pupils.</p> <p>SEN funding is also used to provide equipment and IT support for pupils who require it.</p>
<p>How is the decision made about what type and how much support my child will receive?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the decision making process who will make the decision and on what basis? • Who will be involved? • How will I be involved? • How does the school judge whether the support has had an impact? 	<p>Once concerns about a child are raised, by either the child themselves, parents/carers or the school, then the child will be assessed and their barriers to learning identified. An initial level of support will be offered in school by the teacher and progress monitored.</p> <p>If the support offered proves effective it will be monitored and maintained or adjusted as needs be. If this initial level of support is not seen to be offering the desired level of progress then further advice will be sought, with parental/carer consent, and the possibility of external professional advice used to devise a more appropriate plan of support. If after careful monitoring, and once again with the agreement of the child, parents/carers, then the school may apply for more support through a Health and Education Plan.</p> <p>The fundamental principal of offering the best possible means of support through open dialogue between the child, the parents/carers is at the heart of Grange CE SEN practice.</p>