

Meet our Inclusion Manager Mrs Tawana

Hello and welcome back to school for this new academic year!

I'd like to take the opportunity to greet you all here. I am Mrs Manraj Tawana, the Inclusion Manager. One of my key responsibilities is to lead on the provision for pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, as well as other groups such as, Gifted and Talented and English as an Additional Language (EAL).

As you may know the responsibility for SEND is called the Special Educational Needs Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCo). The main responsibility of the SENDCo is to take the lead on implementing the best practice in meeting the needs of pupils with a range of SEN across school, so I work alongside the teachers, our team of Learning Support Assistants, yourselves as parents, the pupils and outside agencies to provide support for the children in class and in smaller interventions. We have trained a number of staff on 'Drawing and Talking' and on delivering Speech and Language programmes.

Mrs MacLeod, our Pastoral Officer works with groups and identified children. I would like to run some parent forums this year, as these were disrupted by the lockdown, and although we may need to work virtually for a while, I am excited to start these.

I work on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and am usually on the door on those days too. Remember also that you can talk to your child's teacher in the first instance too so we can help as quickly as possible.

Regards Mrs Tawana