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East Harling Primary School and Nursery's approach to SEN (As from January 2014)

1. Who is SEN?

- a. Children who require *educational provision which is additional to, or otherwise different from*, the educational provision made generally for children of their age.
- b. If you can't say what is different, they shouldn't be on there.
 - i. Not just 'more maths and English boosters' so not SEN (although e.g. Phonics at Y5/6 could be as it is not normal curriculum provision)
 - ii. SEN was 19% 2011/12; now 12%.
 - iii. SEN onto provision map and shared with cluster.
- c. Group Education Plans (GEPs) are written for children who need boosting,

2. Tracking and Progress

- a. All children tracked termly with Pupil Asset; Pupil Progress Meetings held termly and Interventions for ANY child whose progress has dropped; 'intervention' can mean anything from targeted questioning to Educational Psychologist referral and beyond.
- b. Information is then transferred onto an intervention map and provision map. Interventions reviewed at the next meeting.
- c. Assessment for learning is an integral part of everyday teaching and learning and effective marking and feedback enables children to understand their strengths and next steps (see marking policy)
- d. ALL children are tracked closely in core subjects through pupil asset and have learning targets, and have impact assessed (ie progress reviewed) termly.
- e. GEPS are very new, but impact will be reviewed termly.

3. <u>Training</u>

- a. All teachers are teachers of SEN so need to continue to develop their knowledge and expertise.
- b. Teaching Assistants will be given training through the cluster and the school
- c. Next steps: Continue to offer training to all staff through INSET and individual support. Strategies from back of 'Beating Bureaucracy' copied for all teachers; Staff meeting INSET using IDP materials so far on Specific Learning Difficulties and Speech and Language Development.
- 4. What if they need more? (we will adopt this at East Harling)

- a. IF we feel children need further involvement over and above, we hold 'Personal Profile Meetings; with parents. These are 30-45min meetings with SENCO, Parents, Class Teacher, possibly a TA and/or child.
 - i. Personal Profiles completed
 - ii. Strengths and Interests handy for home view, a 'way in'
 - iii. Barriers to Learning, what is helping progress
 - iv. Actions since last meeting and impact of interventions
 - v. Agreed strategies to overcome barriers (home, school, child)
- b. Frequency and need dependent on child can be reviewed at or in lieu of parents' evening, for example