

Cury Church of England VA Primary School

Our 'Local Offer' for Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)

At Cury C of E VA Primary School is a welcoming family environment which nurtures each individual to achieve through the Christian faith, to be the best they can be on life's journey. This is achieved through quality first teaching, the calm nurturing environment and through the clear and consistent approach that resonates throughout the school. The individual needs of all our children are the central focus, providing stimulating and exciting learning opportunities for all.

We are sensitive to the varied individual needs of pupils and we use a flexible, graduated approach to support specific needs and differing abilities. We endeavour to promote collaboration between school, parents and other agencies in order to meet individual needs in an inclusive, organised, robust and carefully considered manner. We aim to ensure that pupils are provided for, and targeted support is given to enable pupils to fully access the curriculum effectively. We promote independent skills and support pupils to take the next steps in their learning journey.

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The levels of support and provision offered by Cury School

Throughout their time at Cury School pupils may receive different levels of support according to their educational needs. At Cury, we endeavour to adapt to changes in need of individual pupils to ensure they progress in all aspects of their school life.

	Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and young people.	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
Listening to and responding to children and young people	The views and opinions of all students are valued. Pupils are listened to and feel valued within the school family. Pupils are respectful towards each other and are aware of the differing needs they may have. Pupils are involved with setting targets and how they will work towards them. Pupil opinions can be heard through: Pupil questionnaires School Council Class discussions Focus groups Pupil Conferencing Assemblies Consultation (negotiation/explanation) — Part of the decision making process.	All SEND pupils' voices are listened to in the same way as other pupils. Small, focused groups are set up to encourage discussion, build confidence and guide how to form and voice their own opinions or views. Pupils are involved with setting new targets and how they will achieve them.	Documentation is presented clearly so pupils can access independently or are individually supported by adults, enabling them to voice opinion. Student's views are an integral part of TAC meetings and SEN reviews. Individual support is given in line with the view of the student.

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	The School prides itself with an open door policy	Parents are invited to attend meetings	Teaching Assistants who provide
	with all parents and carers.	regarding their child's provision map and	individual support make close,
Partnership with		encouraged to contribute where	working relationships with parents.

parents and	Teachers speak with parents regularly at the	appropriate.	Parent/carers are supported in
carers	beginning/end of the day.		attending, and are actively involved in
		Families are invited to attend	TAC meetings and reviews.
	All parents are encouraged to attend	information sessions about supporting	
	parent/teacher consultation evenings. (1 in the	their children at home.	Parent/carer's views are an integral
	autumn and one in the spring term)		part of TAC meetings and SEN reviews.
		Trust wide opportunities.	
	Annual reports are sent home at the end of the		All documentation is presented in an
	academic year.	Volunteer parents/carers are	accessible way for all parents and
		encouraged to help within school.	children.
	Parent questionnaires are used termly as a		
	format to gauge parental views/opinions. These		Parents are encouraged to join in with
	are responded to.		school trips.
	Parents are consulted about changes to the		
	routine/practice of the school.		
	Parent/carers know who to		
	contact if they have any concerns.		
	The website, enables parent/carers to		
	understand more about what their child is		
	learning.		
	Weekly newsletter.		
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	School emailing of newsletters.		
	Parents are invited in to share their child's		

learning on a regular basis.

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	The school follows the 2014 National Curriculum which is designed to ensure the inclusion of all	Precision teaching.	Assess, plan, do, review cycle used alongside individual provision maps.
The curriculum	students.	Additional resources available for those	Pupils access the curriculum at their
	A range of activities are planned for to interest and encourage all types of learners.	with specific learning difficulties e.g., dyslexia.	own ability level – supported and adapted for the age range they are
	Topic launches to create 'memorable'	Visual timetables used where needed.	working in.
	experiences in learning.	Small intervention groups set up to address the needs of groups of children.	1-to-1 support is provided to enable access to curriculum.
	Subject planning is created by the class teacher and monitored by subject leaders.	Interventions are analysed for impact.	Additional resources are used to
	Robust on-going assessment of pupil progress and attainment.		engage learners e.g. practical/visual to support learning.
	Whole school approach to guided reading and phonics/spelling sessions.		
	Whole school behaviour and reward system. Displayed and used in each class, celebrating attitude to learning and successes.		
	All teachers are experienced in adapting lessons to ensure that all pupils have access and are included.		
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	The universal offer to all children and YP	provision	provision
	Planning is differentiated within each class to	Individual provision maps.	Personalised and highly differentiated

	ensure progress at all ability levels.	Small intervention groups.	work is provided enabling independent learning.
Teaching and	Learning walls to support and enable pupils with	Class teachers and teaching	
learning	their learning.	assistants share information and	One-to-one support is in place for
		lesson plans to ensure that students	students who need more intensive
	Pupils are encouraged and supported to be	with SEND have targeted support and	support.
	responsible, independent learners.	provision.	
			Separate working spaces when
	Assessments inform future planning.	Independent student learning is	required (where possible within the
		supported by the use of technology,	classroom setting).
	Different level groupings are identified	for example:	
	for each class and adults support appropriately.	- computers	Sensory equipment used to provide
		- i-pads	learning breaks.
	Teaching assistants/class teachers	- talking tins	
	work with small groups to:		
	- ensure understanding		
	- facilitate learning		
	- foster independence		
	- keep students on task.		
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	A whole school Marking Policy is adhered to and		
	teachers provide feedback to further progress		
	learning and inform pupils of achievements.		
	Morning lessons are comprised of English and		
	Maths.		
	Alternative ways of recording are used.		
	Pupil comments regarding learning are recorded		
	in books, on speech bubbles, photos		
	Robust on-going assessment of pupil progress		
	and attainment.		

Visual timetables.
All adults use 'open-ended questioning to promote curiosity and thinking skills.
Dialogue, where possible, is pupil-led.
Children have opportunity to work where they feel comfortable in the classroom, including on the floor.

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Self-help skills and independence	Children to self-evaluate learning. Pupils use the working walls to support and further learning. Displays are regularly updated and changed to reflect the current work which enables pupils to use them and help them with their learning. Pupils have access to pencil grips, overlays, talking tins etc. Teachers plan for a variety of independent, paired and group tasks. Resources are easily accessible in each classroom for pupils to use as they need.	Specific resources are provided or made available to ensure they have what they need. TAs help to facilitate independency through further explanation and questioning. Use of ICT to support writing.	Teaching assistants working one-to one with students but 'step back' to providing opportunity to work independently. Additional support is shared to build resilience in pupils so that they are developing self-coping strategies. Referrals to other agencies for support.

Pupils are given responsibilities throughout the school – they carry these out independently.	
Visual timetable.	

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Health, wellbeing and emotional	A safe and positive learning environment.	P.E. Intervention sessions provided by a coach to develop skills and confidence.	Healthcare plans (multi-agency).
support	2 hours of P.E. weekly.	·	TAC meetings or reviews are
	School Council who advocate others' views.	Occupational Therapist guidance provided for specific pupils.	supported by a range of agencies.
			Additional support for pupils can be
	Excellent staff role-models.	Provision maps.	requested from
			- CAMHS
	PSHE sessions to discuss any issues e.g.	Opportunity for 'Time Out'.	- Dreadnought
	friendships, attitudes to learning, tolerance of		- Penhaligons Friends
	others, behaviour etc.	Sensory breaks.	- CHaLK
			- CLEAR
	Worry boxes – anonymous. These can then be		- Communication Support Team
	addressed generally in the class setting/assembly.		- Occupational Therapy
			- Paediatric Doctor
	Peer support in the classroom		- School Nurse
			- Diabetes/Epilepsy Nurse
	Friendship Buddies – peer support at playtime		- Music therapy
			- Art Therapy
	A body of staff trained in first aid and other		- Vision Support Team
	medical interventions, including those with		- Hearing Support Team
	communication difficulties.		- Dyslexia Service
			- Behaviour Support Service

	-Parent Partnership Service - Speech and Language Therapy
	Educational Psychology ServiceAutism Team
	- Early Help Hub - SEN Service

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	people		
Social interaction	All pupils have opportunities for	1 to 1 support to deal with issues of	Pupils are individually supported by
opportunities	social interaction, regardless of need.	frustration and anger – how to identify	TAs.
		signs and how to cope with these	
	All pupils are invited on trips and	feelings.	TAs use social stories with individual
	visits.		students when pupils go on trips.
		Well-being workshops to support	
	All pupils have access to visitors to school,	emotional well-being and development.	Pupils supported to enable attendance
	appropriate to the age range being catered for.		at clubs.
		Wellbeing/coaching sessions.	
	Pupils have opportunity to spend time learning		Use of buddy systems.
	within the Multi-Academy Trust schools through		
	workshops and sporting events.		

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The physical	All areas of the school are accessible to	Fidget cushions and bean bags to	Specialised equipment e.g. writing
environment	everyone including those students with	support children with sitting still.	slope.
(accessibility,	SEND.		
safety and		Objects to 'fiddle' with to support	Accessibility plan.

positive learning	Students feel safe and are in an environment	concentration when learning.	
environment).	where there is zero tolerance to bullying and		Classrooms are accessible for pupils
	where issues are dealt with promptly and	Larger toilet cubical available for pupils	with sensory needs.
	effectively.	requiring wheelchair access.	
			Liaison with external professionals
	There is a named child protection officer, 'Designated Safeguarding Officer' (and	Equality and Diversity policy is in place.	takes place.
	deputy) and a named 'Child in Care'	Management of medical needs is led by	Care plans are written with medical
	teacher.	trained staff.	specialists.
	All areas of the school are uplifting,	Liaison with medical professionals.	
	positive and support learning.	, i	
	Staff focus on rewarding good		
	behaviour to promote a positive learning		
	environment.		
	The rewards and sanctions system is		
	robust, displayed in each classroom and is used		
	around the school.		
	Staff are first aid trained.		
	Well maintained playground and field.		
	All staff and pupils take ownership of the		

environment.

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Transition from	Pre-school and EYFS have strong links with	Visual cues/photographs/individual	EYFS pupils are offered extra transition
year to year and setting to setting	weekly transition sessions in the summer term.	internal visits to promote positive transition.	opportunities.
	Pupils starting Reception, along with their		Liaison with previous setting if
	parents, are invited to attend transition sessions	Peer systems are in place for pupils who	children join our school.
	in the term before and the term they start	are particularly vulnerable at transition.	
	school.		Pupils have a structured and gradual
		Pupils identified as possibly struggling	transition package from setting to
	Pre-school children have lunch with the school as	with transition may have additional visits	setting. This ensures that they are very
	part of transition in the summer term.	in small groups or the support of a	familiar with routines, key members of
		Teaching Assistant.	staff, running of the school day,
	Staff are aware of vulnerable pupils.		environment etc.
		A meeting with the SENCOs and/or	
	Teachers have handover sessions to discuss all	Headteachers is held to ensure that	Pupils with DSEN have addition visits
	children.	relevant information and details are	to the primary school.
		handed over.	
	Children regularly access learning opportunities in		Transition meetings for DSEN children
	other classes.		with teachers and parents.

Services and organisations that we are currently working with:

Service/organisation	What they do in brief	Contact details
Cury School Governing Board	SEN Governor meets with the SENCo to discuss issues relating to SEN e.g. progress, resourcing.	Contacted via school
Speech and Language	Support speech development by providing	Jenny Paramor
	support and advice to teaching staff and creating	Contacted via school

	IEPs for the pupils to work on while they are in school.	
Educational Psychology Service	Provide advice and support for staff, assess pupils on request and meet annually with the SENDCo to discuss the children identified as having educational needs.	Poppy Dalton Children's Social Work and Psychology Service Dolcoath Avenue Council Offices Camborne
Educational Welfare Officer	Attendance	Will de Labat Contacted via school
School Nurse	School nurses provide confidential advice and health information.	You can contact us by calling the Health Visitor and School Nurse Advice Line on 01872 322779 or email hvsnadvice@cornwall.gov.uk .
Innate Connection	Emotional well-being counselling	Vicky Otter Contacted via school
Medical professionals	GPs and Paediatricians work alongside school where appropriate.	Contact via school

Answers to Frequently asked Questions

How does your school know if children need extra help?

Teachers are continually monitoring and assessing your child's progress – academically, physically, behaviourally and emotionally. Through this rigorous assessment process, teachers identify gaps in children's learning and plan for pupils to receive extra support in the classroom. This may be through differentiated activities or additional adult support. Teachers talk regularly to parents and request your support in the home environment to try and overcome barriers to learning.

What should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs?

It is important that you communicate effectively with the school and discuss your concerns. Talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance, who will inform the SENCo of your concern and take appropriate action where necessary. This may be an observation in the first instance and ensuring resources and differentiation is in place to support your child. An Individual Provision Map and an Assess, Plan, Do, Review document may then be created to support your child's learning in school. This will be regularly reviewed and discussed with the child and the parents. In some instances, the SENCo may request advice, with your permission, from other external agencies who may feel it appropriate to assess your child's needs.

Who is responsible for the progress and success of my child in school?

The Headteacher works with the staff to ensure pupil targets are being met and that children are being challenged appropriately. The Senior Leadership

Team analyse data and monitor teaching and learning to ensure teachers are meeting the needs of the pupils.

How will the curriculum be matched to my child's needs?

The school works hard to provide a broad and balanced curriculum which is topic based throughout the school. In all subjects, planning is differentiated to match the learning needs of the pupils, support and challenge being provided.

We incorporate different styles of teaching and learning to accommodate all children and engage them in the learning. We also host 'topic days' which allow the children to immerse themselves in the learning.

How will school staff support my child?

At Cury we strongly believe in promoting independence, and through our support we endeavour to build confidence in your child's learning. Support may be through differentiated activities, working with a learning buddy, adult support or written step by step instructions so your child knows what to do. There are also intervention groups where children may receive additional support for spelling, handwriting or social skills, for example. We also utilise ICT by providing maths and literacy programs the children have access to. Pupils are aware that they can talk to any member of staff about anything.

How will I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?

Staff regularly talk with parents before/after school so there is opportunity for parents to request a meeting to discuss progress if they wish to, in line with our open door policy. Where a teacher feels there is a concern, parents are asked to come in and discuss the issue. Advice on how to provide extra support at home is given. In the past, where requests for how to help with, for example, phonics and reading have been made, we have set up meeting to support parents in understanding what we do in school and how they can help at home.

Each term there is a formal parent/teacher meeting to discuss your child's progress and attainment, and at the end of the academic year a written report is sent home.

What support will there be for my child's overall wellbeing?

Children's' well-being and emotional health is recognised at Cury as being an important aspect of their academic progress. We endeavour to provide personalised learning journeys where children can succeed at their own ability level.

We celebrate every child's abilities through the use of the school's Christian Values. All children are included in this reward system. Each week we hold a Celebration assembly where staff recognise progress in pupils and certificates are awarded from both school and outside achievements.

How do I know that my child is safe in school?

All staff have had relevant and up to date Safeguarding training. Staff follow procedures outlined in the safeguarding policy and the designated governor is responsible for ensuring statutory guidance is met.

There are regular fire alarm check and practice drills so pupils know what to do in an emergency.

There are always several members of staff who have undergone the 'First Aid in the Workplace' training. The school keeps a record of who has received the training and when they qualified, to ensure training is always current.

Cury School carries out risk assessments for all school trips: these are monitored by the Headteacher. Teachers are responsible for ensuring risk assessments are carried out and they follow the school trip 'planning procedure' to ensure all aspects of the school trip have been addressed.

The Health and Safety Governor, together with the school caretaker and secretary carry out regular health and safe assessments of the school site.

The school holds personal details of all children. This is all kept in accordance with GDPR. This information contains contact details for parents/carers and the next of kin. Parents are asked to inform the school if there are any changes. This ensures parents/carers can be contacted at anytime of the school day, allowing us to notify them of changes to the school day e.g. school closure due to severe weather.

The school site is secure. The front door is glass and therefore members of staff can see who it is before letting them in as well as having a visual intercom system in the office.

All staff have identity badges and visitors and governors are issued badges when in school.

What SEN training have the staff at school had or are having?

We have an experienced SENDCo. Teachers and Teaching Assistants attend relevant courses to support the children they are working with. This information is then shared with the rest of the staff at staff meetings.

How accessible is the school environment?

See the Accessibility Plan. This is available on the school website.

How are the school's resources allocated and matched to children's special educational needs?

We take a whole school approach to providing the resources every child needs for their learning, regardless of their ability. The class teacher is supported by a Teaching Assistant and extra interventions, led by experienced Teaching Assistants, is provided for small groups of pupils. Classroom resources are shared and additional resources are purchased where necessary to enhance learning.

How is the decision made about what type and how much support my child will receive?

Decisions about the support each child receives are based on the school's in-depth knowledge of the child. Lengthy discussions between relevant staff members take place and the child's progress is monitored. The support may change as the needs of the child change. Staff listen to parent/carer views and advice from outside agencies.

What should I do if I feel that the School Offer is not being delivered or is not meeting my child's needs?

Parents/carers who believe their child's needs are not being met are asked to:

- 1. Meet with the class teacher to raise your concerns.
- 2. Talk with the SENCo to address the issue or concern.
- 3. Address the issue or concern with the Headteacher appointments can be made.

Where parents/carers feel the issue or concern has not been addressed, they are asked to contact the Chair of Governors.

The school has a complaints policy which can be found on the school website.

How is your School Offer reviewed?

The School Offer will be formally reviewed by the Governing Board in consultation with the Senior Leadership Team, at least once every 3 years. However, the Senior Leadership Team will monitor and review the School Offer throughout the academic year, amending appropriately in consultation with the Governing Board.