

OPPORTUNITY WITH DIGNITY

Breakspeare Curriculum

Curriculum Progression Overview

OVERVIEW

Our curriculum is designed to be adaptive to meet learners' individual needs. We recognise that students at Breakspeare School may not necessarily follow the intended Key Stage curriculum due to their cognitive ability or spiky developmental learning profile.

There are five essential strands of learning for all students at Breakspeare School. These are driven from the students' EHCPs

- 1. Cognition and Learning
- 2. Communication
- 3. Social and emotional
- 4. Self-help and Independence
- 5. Sensory and Physical needs

| Cognition and | Functional skills | Sequencing | Ownership / responsibility |
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| Learning | Literacy and Numeracy ICT Understanding and using cause and effect | Looking Listening Concentrating | Responding appropriately to change – environment, plans, people, routine Investigation |
| | Understanding the World around me Understanding how my world works Opportunities to expand my world | Problem solving Creativity | Curiosity Generalised skills across a range of contexts Preparation for Adulthood |
| Communication | Communicating my needs and wants using preferred communication method Language development Understanding and use of symbols Understanding and use of Makaton Understanding and use of AAC Understanding and use of Object | Picture Exchange systems Total Communication Motivation to communicate Expressive and receptive language Play behaviour and communication with others | Conversational skills Inclusion Forming and developing relationships with staff and students Appropriate communication to support when outside of home or school Preparation for Adulthood |
| Social and emotional | Self-awareness Self-esteem Showing a preferences – knowing my likes and dislikes Appropriate behaviour Managing and my feelings and behaviour Understanding of my emotions Communicating what I need to self or co- regulate | Social communication and understanding Development of social skills with adults and peers Development of play skills Structured and unstructured play Wellbeing Supporting my mental health Understanding social cues | Understanding social 'norms' Self-control Making positive / safe choices Empathy towards others Relationships Positive interactions with others Preparation for Adulthood |
| Self – help and independence | Personal care Making choices Expressing preferences | Asking for helpTransitions | Safety; awareness of dangersWork related learning opportunities |

| | Expressing likes / dislikes Expressing wants / needs Taking responsibility for self | Understanding social 'rules'; private and public, safe behaviours Community access Travelling safely | Attending learning tasks with reduced support from an adult, independently Work Experience Life skills / Preparation for Adulthood |
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| Sensory and physical | Gross motor skills Fine motor skills Personal care Sensory preferences / dislikes; communicating likes and dislikes | Feeding and eating Sensory diet Sensory activities | Accessing range of physical activities Body autonomy / puberty Health needs |

Students follow different areas of learning based on their key stage

- EYFS Nursery and Reception aged pupils
- Key Stage 1 Years 1 to 2
- Key Stage 2 Years 3 to 6
- Key Stage 3 Years 7 to 9
- Key Stage 4 Years 10 and 11
- Post 16 to 19 Years 12 to 14

Students' progress through the curriculum as they move through Key Stages.

| Phase 1 | | Phase 2 | Phase 3 |
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| Learning and development of skills | | Application of skills | Functional application of skills |
| EYFS | Key Stage 1 | Key Stage 3 | Key Stage 4 |
| Key Stage 1 Communication and Language | Key Stage 2 My Thinking | Key Stage 4 My Functional Skills | Key Stage 5 My Functional Skills |
| Physical Development | My Communication | Daily Living Skills | Daily Living Skills |
| Personal Social and Emotional | My Physical Development | Myself | Myself |
| Development | Myself | My Leisure Skills | My Leisure Skills |
| Literacy | My Community | My Community | My Community |
| Mathematics | How my World Works | Expanding my Horizons | Work Related Learning |
| Understand the World | My Creativity | | Expanding my Horizons |
| Expressive Arts and Design | | | |

ASSESSMENT PATHWAYS

There are three different assessment pathways that reflect on the students' attainment and developmental learning needs.

Pathway 1

• Profound Multiple Learning Disability (PMLD)

students who are on the engagement model

Pathway 2

- Severe Learning Disability (SLD)
- Autism Spectrum (AS)

Pre-KS standards

Pathway 3

• Working towards National Curriculum levels.

Small group of students with 'spiky' learning profiles

IMPLEMENTATION OF CURRICULA

For Pathway 1

See PMLD curriculum document

For Pathways 2 and 3

There may be adaptations to meet the needs of our complex AS learners; using AET frameworks and behaviour curriculum