

The agencies outlined are those which are most commonly used or referred to in our school, however we also work with other agencies when supporting children with specific needs.

These include:

- Autism Team
- Incontinence Team
- Adoption Support
- Hearing/vision Support
- Bereavement Charities
- Inclusion and Access Team
- Local SEN specialist schools

If you would like to know any more about how outside agencies can support your child, please come and speak to a member of school staff.



Mill View Primary School Outside Agency Support for SEN



If your child requires additional support beyond the expertise of school staff, we may involve outside agencies to support us in providing the best way forward. They will be able to work directly with the school (and in some cases with the child or family involved) to provide recommendations, resources and advice.

If school feel the need to seek outside agency support, this will be discussed with parents before further arrangements are made.

This document should give an outline of the support that some agencies can offer and when we might get them involved with a child.

Speech and Language

When would we make contact?

When a child is struggling with elements of communication and interaction, forming or understanding speech.

What can they offer?

Assessment in clinic or in school. Children will normally be offered personalised targets to work on, both in school and at home, depending on their area of need. Sometimes specialist speech and language teachers will come in to school to work with the child.



Educational Psychology

When would we make contact?

When a child is struggling to achieve in class despite lots of support already being in place. When there are possibly deeper reasons - medical, mental health or behavioural which are affecting a child's progress

What can they offer?

Classroom observations and meetings with teachers/parents to offer recommendations to try next and any other agencies who may be worth getting involved.



CAMHS

When would we make contact?

When a child is struggling with mental health aspects and needs additional support beyond the nurture provided by schools.

What can they offer?

Counselling sessions for children. Support for managing children with mental health difficulties for parents. Drop-ins and phone calls with school to suggest new strategies to try.



Community Paediatrics

When would we make contact?

When we believe that a child has an underlying health problem which may be undiagnosed or require additional investigation. This is the route that school would use if they suspected a child had ADHD or ASC.

What can they offer?

Medical investigations and diagnosis. Prescription medication. Advice on how to manage medical conditions.

Children's Therapy Services

When would we make contact?

When a child has identified physical difficulties which mean that they may need adaptations making to the provision of activities in school or specialist equipment, etc. to help them to learn best.

What can they offer?

Advice on supporting children with physical difficulties in school. Physiotherapy exercises. Recommendations on how to adapt tasks/activities to ensure that all children can access lessons.



School Health

When would we make contact?

If we are concerned about a child's height or weight/growth. If we believe a child or family may benefit from additional support around keeping healthy.

What can they offer?

Height, weight, hearing and eye checks in school.

Advice and support to children and families.

