



# **SEND Policy – student version**

## **1. What is this policy?**

Our school wants every student to feel safe, successful and connected. Some students need extra help and this policy explains how we support them.

## **2. What does SEND mean?**

You might have SEND if:

- You find learning harder than most people your age
- You have a disability that makes school more difficult
- You need support that is extra or different from what most students get

For example:

- Communication needs
- Learning needs like dyslexia or dyscalculia
- Social, emotional, or mental health needs like anxiety or ADHD
- Sensory or physical needs affecting hearing, seeing, or movement

## **3. What does the school promise to do?**

- Make everyone feel welcome
- Help all students learn in a way that works for them
- Make adjustments to ensure equity for all
- Work with families and professionals
- Listen to your views

#### **4. Who helps you at school?**

SENDCo: Organises help, works with teachers and families

Teachers: Help you learn and adapt lessons

Teaching Assistants: Give extra help and support you in class

#### **5. How does the school help?**

Support might include:

- Adapted teaching methods
- Small group interventions
- Special equipment like laptops or overlays
- Quiet spaces or break cards
- Exam support such as extra time or a reader

#### **6. How does the school know what support you need?**

Teachers and the SENDCo:

- Check your progress
- Talk to you and your family
- Work with experts
- Update your plan regularly

#### **7. EHCPs**

Some students have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that explains their needs and support. The school must follow this.

## **8. Tests and exams**

Some students get Exam Access Arrangements like extra time or a reader. These are given only if needed. Maybe add some information about testing:

## **9. Your rights**

You have the right to:

- Be treated fairly
- Feel included
- Get help you need
- Share your opinions
- Learn safely

## **10. Policy updates**

The school reviews this policy every year.