



Welcome to our **SEND Information Report** which is part of Durham County Council's Local Offer for children and young people with Special Educational Needs. Durham County has provided a wealth of information for families on SEN. The Government has asked all Local Authorities in the UK to publish, in one place, information about the services and provision they expect to be available in their area for children and young people from 0 to 25 who have Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability (SEND).

This is known as the Local Offer and can be accessed [here](#).

This SEND Information Report should be read alongside the school's SEND Policy, the Equalities Information and Objectives and the Accessibility Plan.

The Local Offer outlines what Durham County can offer families/carers in order to support children with SEN.

At Shield Row Primary School, we are committed to the equal inclusion of all pupils in all areas of school life. We recognise the diverse and individual needs of all of our pupils and take into account the additional support required by those children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Here at Shield Row Primary School we recognise that all pupils are entitled to a quality of provision that will enable them to achieve their full potential. We believe in positive intervention, removing barriers to learning, raising expectations and levels of achievement and working in partnership with other agencies in order to provide a positive educational experience for all our pupils including those with a special educational need or disability.

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Our school recognises there are particular groups of pupils whose circumstances require additional consideration by those who work with them to support their SEN.

At Shield Row Primary School we have appointed a Designated Learning Support Assistant for behaviour and emotional need who works closely with the SENCO to ensure all teachers in school understand the implications for those children.

At Shield Row Primary School we ensure that all pupils, regardless of their specific needs make the best possible progress.

There are now four broad areas of SEND, these are:

- **Communication and Interaction**

This area of need includes children with Autism Spectrum Condition and those with Speech, Language and Communication Needs

- **Cognition and Learning**

This includes children with Specific Learning Difficulties, Moderate Learning Difficulties, Severe Learning Difficulties and Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties

- **Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties**

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This includes any pupils who have an emotional, social or mental health need that is impacting on their ability to learn

- **Sensory and/or Physical Difficulties**

This area includes children with hearing impairment, visual impairment, multi-sensory impairment and physical difficulties.