St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



To love, serve and learn as Jesus shows us

Individual Need	Here's how we support everyone	
Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	 A positive climate for learning will be established in every aspect of the maths lesson. If needed, adult support during the key skills and Flashback 4 sessions where children are using whiteboards to record their answers. Verbal praise is given whenever necessary to help boost confidence and self esteem. Use of concrete, pictorial representations to support the learning taking place. 	
Anxiety	 A trusting relationship will be nurtured between all adults in the classroom and the child. This relationship will enable the adult to know any triggers or changes in behaviour that may be caused by the child feeling anxious. A positive climate for learning ensures that children feel confident to share their learning, although this is adapted for individuals so that they do not feel under pressure to answer. Maths lessons are calm where children can focus on the learning taking place. If children feel overwhelmed by the classroom environment, they can access a quiet break out area. 	
Autism Spectrum Disorder	 Visual timetables are used to support the organisation of the maths lesson. Visual cues/resources are used to support the child as necessary throughout the session. A learning space is provided that best suits the child. There is a consistent approach to the maths lesson with any changes discussed with the child beforehand. Sensory breaks are given whenever necessary. Mathematical vocabulary is integrated into the lesson throughout, with visuals to support new language. Staff avoid asking specific or direct questions that focus on the child's mathematical understanding that may make them feel uncomfortable. Staff ensure that the child has a clear goal for what they are expected to achieve during the maths lesson. 	
Dyscalculia	 Manipulatives are made available as directed by the teacher and appropriate to the learning taking place. Adults will ensure children understand how to use these manipulatives appropriately. If the interactive whiteboard is being used, teachers will decide if an individual laptop is to be provided so that the child can follow the presentation successfully. Key Skills sessions incorporate activities that specifically focus on recall and repeating areas of mathematics the children have already explored. Rulers and highlighters may be used to visually support the drawing / organisation of written calculation methods. Peer and adult support will be built into the lesson throughout to support any corrections. Peer teaching will be used as a way of the child sharing new knowledge that has been learnt. 	
Dyslexia	Different coloured paper may be appropriate for children with visual processing disorders.	

	 A text font size of 12 or above is used for any work sheets/PowerPoint presentations. Questions will be short with visual representations (diagrams, pictures, illustrations) to support. Data, charts and diagrams are clearly organised and structured. Specific clear, rounded and spaced out fonts are used on any writing within the lesson. Large spaces for working out will be provided under each question given on a work sheet or in a maths book.
Dyspraxia	 An appropriate learning space will be provided. Instructions can be written out for the child; different colours for each line may be useful. Diagrams will be provided before labelling/editing. Children may be directed to leave the maths session early to ensure there is time to move in and out of the classroom (break times, lunchtimes, toilet trips etc.). When using mathematical equipment, an adult or supportive peer will provide demonstration of how to successfully use the equipment. Adults will ensure they are monitoring closely for signs of distress and provide a calm learning environment.
Hearing Impairment	 A suitable working space will be agreed upon with advice from external agencies. Adults within the classroom will ensure the child's hearing aid is turned on before the lesson begins. Adults will ensure they are facing the child when they are talking/giving instructions. Questions and any information given by peers will be repeated clearly to ensure the child has heard what their peers have asked/said. Children will be seated towards the front of the classroom to ensure they have a clear line of vision, especially during the input where the whiteboard will be the main focus.
Toileting Issues	 Children will be able to leave and return to the classroom whenever necessary. A seating arrangement will be made so that the child can enter and leave the classroom discretely. All adults and children within the classroom environment will respect the child's privacy.
Cognition and Learning Challenges	 Learning is adapted and personalised. This will ensure that the task being given to the child matches their individual learning needs. Concrete resources and visual representations will be given to the child to support any mental and written calculations needed. Self-checks can be used at each stage of a task so that children are aware of the tasks required of them and their achievement of reaching this. Key vocabulary and ideas will be addressed regularly throughout the maths lesson to check understanding. Information will be repeated clearly, varying the vocabulary used PowerPoint slides will be simple and uncluttered with key information highlighted. Children may work with their peers to support their learning.
Speech, Language & Communication Needs	 Visual timetables, signs and symbols will be used to support communication within the maths lesson. Visuals will be used to support understanding of key information. Non-verbal clues will be used to back up what is being said. Any verbal instructions/information will be at a slow, clear pace that matches the child's understanding. Adults will regularly check the child's understanding so that adults can identify any misconceptions or misunderstandings.

Tourette Syndrome	 Adults will listen and respond to the child with support and understanding. A structure will be provided (tick list) to support the learning taking place, this will be differentiated to the maths activity and include the main elements needed to aid the child's attention. There will be understanding that the activity may not be completed.
Experienced Trauma	 The maths learning environment will be a calm, trusting place where children feel supported with their emotions at all times. Adults working with the child will be aware of any triggers and any ways to further support the child within the classroom. There will be a consistent approach to expectations and behaviour that are based on positive praise.
Visual Impairment	 Anything that is being displayed (PowerPoint presentation, maths working wall) will be large and easily visible from anywhere in the classroom. Children will be able to 'take a break' from their maths learning whenever needed to ensure they are able to focus visually and avoid fatigue. Images and text within any printed work will be enlarged with the recommended font size. Children will be provided with a thicker and darker pencil to ensure their writing is clear. Children may be provided with a larger squared exercise book if required.