



Waterloo Primary School - How We Help You

We are here to help!

What is SEND?

Some children need extra help with learning, feelings, or moving around. This is called **SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)**. You might have SEND if:

- Learning is trickier for you than for other children your age.
- You need special equipment or help to do school activities.

How do we help you?

We give you the support you need in different ways:

- **In-Class Help:** Your teacher might change lessons to make them easier for you.
- **Small Groups or One-to-One Time:** You might work with a teacher or assistant to practice things like reading, writing, or talking.
- **Specialist Help:** Experts like speech therapists or special teachers may help you too.

Who can you talk to?

If you need help, talk to:

- **Your Teacher** – The best person to ask for help in class.
- **Mrs. Jones (SENCo)** – She makes sure children with SEND get the right support.
- **Mrs. Maciver (Headteacher)** – She looks after everyone in school.

How we help you learn (The Graduated Approach)

We follow four simple steps:

1. **Assess** – We find out what you need help with.
2. **Plan** – We make a plan to help you.
3. **Do** – We put the plan into action.
4. **Review** – We check how well the plan is working and change it if needed.

How do you know how you are doing?

- Your teacher will talk to you about your progress.
- You will have meetings to see how well you're doing.
- We will check your support plan and make changes if needed.



Extra help and support

Some children need even more help, so we might:

- Give you more support in small groups.
- Apply for extra money to help with special resources.
- Create a big plan called an **Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP)** if you need long-term help.

Moving to a new class or school

We help you feel ready by:

- Letting you visit your new class or school before you move.
- Talking to your new teacher about what you need.
- Giving you a special book with pictures of your new class.

Making our school accessible for everyone

We make sure everyone can move around and learn by having:

- Ramps and a lift.
- Special toilets.
- Equipment to help you if needed.

Other people who can help you

Sometimes, we get help from experts like:

- Speech and Language Therapists.
- Educational Psychologists.
- Occupational Therapists.
- CAMHS (Children's Mental Health Support).

What If you are worried?

- Talk to **your teacher** – they will listen and help.
- Ask **Mrs. Jones (SENCo)** – she knows all about SEND support.
- You can also speak to **Mrs Maciver, Miss Wilson or Mrs Kenyon** if you need more help.

We are here to help you! You can also find more information with an adult at **Sefton's Local Offer**: [Sefton Local Offer](#)