



Veryan CofE Primary School

Our Special Educational Needs and Disability Information Report and Offer (SEND)

Veryan Primary School is a vibrant, happy and exciting primary school which aims to develop each individual in a caring, family atmosphere. The children, staff and parents are extremely proud of our school and we aim to be inclusive of all children whatever needs they may have. The facilities we have and the education we provide are tailored to meet individual needs both inside and outside of the classroom environment using the THRIVE approach. Staff at Veryan Primary School are trained to cater for the needs of the children in their care and many staff have had additional training specific to individual children. We are committed to narrowing the gap between SEND and non-SEND pupils. We do this through a variety of different provisions which may include short-term specific interventions, 1:1 sessions, home-school interventions, other learning interventions developed on an individual need basis as well as support from external agencies where appropriate. Every child at Veryan Primary School has the opportunity to follow all subjects in the Primary Curriculum and / or access all areas of learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage, the planning and delivery of which is differentiated by our talented team of teachers and their assistants.

Link to Special Educational
Needs Policy

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Executive Principal Mark Lees Head of School Dan Phillips

The levels of support and provision offered by Veryan CofE Primary School

1. Student Voice -Listening to and responding to children and young people

Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and Young People.	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
 The views and opinions of all students are valued. Student voice is represented in all aspects of school. Student voice is heard through: Questionnaires School Council Pupil Conferencing Trusted Adults are in place for each child so children feel they are listened too. Staff are all trained in the Thrive Approach a positive way of responding to children and their needs. 	 Students with SEND are included in all pupil conferencing. Additional provision is developed in light of student voice where appropriate. 	 Individual support is responsive to the views of the student. Student's views are an integral part of TAC (The Team Around The Child*) meetings and SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disability) reviews. Students are supported in target setting. *TAC can be defined as an evolving team of practitioners who have contact with the child/young person and family on a regular basis and who provide practical support and advice with and to those who are able to work directly with the child/young person and family as appropriate.

Whole school approaches The universal offer to all children and YP	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
 The school works in partnership with all parents and carers. Where possible we have an open door policy. The parents/carers are invited to attend parent/carer consultation evenings. Parent/carers know exactly who to contact if they have any concerns. Home/School agreement makes roles absolutely clear. The school website and community facebook page, enables parent/carers to understand more about what their young children are learning. 	 Families are invited to attend extracurricular activities and open afternoons where appropriate. Families are invited to attend information sessions re supporting their child at home e.g. parenting skills, literacy and numeracy skills, independent homework. Websites are available to support parents with homework. Parents are able to contact school re concerns at any time. Parents have access to the Parental Support Advisor, Ruth Spiers if circumstances mean this would be beneficial. (See page12) 	 Parent/carers are supported in attending, and are actively involved in, all meetings where appropriate. Parent/carer's views are an integral part of TAC meetings and SEND reviews. Advocacy is available to ensure the above. All documentation can be presented in a format that is accessible to individual parents/carers. Parents/carers are encouraged to join in with school trips where appropriate. Parents/carers are encouraged to engage in one-to-one reading and activities. Parents / Carers are encouraged to communicate to their child's teacher and or support assistant through the use of a home / school book

3. The curriculum

Whole school approaches. The universal offer to all children and YP	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and provision
 The curriculum is designed to ensure the inclusion of all students. All students, regardless of their ability and/or additional needs, have full access to the curriculum. All students are able to boost their independent learning and literacy skills through application throughout the curriculum. Assessments (including dyslexia screening) are used to identify students who need specific interventions. 	 Intervention packages are bespoke and needs led. The progress of students taking part in intervention groups is measured on a regular basis. The intervention packages are adapted in light of student progress. Small group or one to one intervention includes: literacy- reading, comprehension, spelling handwriting numeracy speech and language keyboard skills motor and co-ordination skills social skills Read Write Inc. catch up programme Thrive action plans 	 Students are supported in following their interests, and chosen curriculum, regardless of their SEND and/or disabilities. Students with special needs and/or disabilities can access the curriculum with adult support as appropriate. In exceptional circumstances students can be disapplied from some subjects.

4. Teaching and learning

Whole school approaches	Additional, targeted support and provision	Specialist, individualised support and
The universal offer to all children and YP		provision

- The whole school uses a 'dyslexiafriendly' approach to teaching and learning, where differentiated teaching and outcomes are used to ensure the progress of all students.
- The lessons are carefully planned to include clear stages, regular progress checks and different learning styles.
- Different groupings are identified for each class.
- Preferred learning styles are used.
- Learning Objectives are displayed and shared with all pupils.
- Differentiated Success Criteria are shared, toolkits to help achieve criteria and strategy posters are used.
- Student's work is regularly marked and appropriate feedback is given.
- Literacy/Numeracy is a priority for all staff: Key vocabulary and key terms should be displayed and discussed.
- Alternative ways of recording are used.
- 5. Self-help skills and independence

Whole school approaches Additional, targeted support and provision Specialist, individualised support and		
	Whole school approaches	

- Class based staff share information and lesson plans to ensure that students with SEND have targeted support and provision.
- Class based staff work with small groups to:
 - ensure understanding
 - facilitate learning

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- foster independence
- keep students on task.
- Independent student learning is supported by the use of technology.
- Special examination arrangements are put in place for internal and external tests and examinations (readers scribes etc).

Personalised and highly differentiated

work is provided enabling independent

learning following the student's learning

One-to-one support is in place for

literacy difficulties/dyslexia etc.

Outreach from special school

students who need more intensive

support, e.g. for those with physical

disabilities, sensory loss, speech and language difficulties, autism, severe

requested for advice on teaching and

learning. E.g Child Development Centres.

plan.

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 Technology is available to aid Independence. Resources are available in all class-rooms which promote independence Students have access to : visual timetables ipads 	 Where teaching assistants are in the classroom they facilitate independence. Students have personalised equipment to help them to learn, such as talking tins, overlays, maths resource kits and timers. 	 Teaching assistants working one-to- one with students encourage them to be specific about what they need help with, along with asking them what they have done already to find the help for themselves. Additional support is shared to build resilience in the student, so that they have self-coping strategies when and if the teaching assistant is absent Personalised task boards and timetables are in place to support independence.

6. Health, wellbeing and emotional support

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The universal offer to all children and YP		

 PSHE / PSED / Circle Time sessions include all children using The Thrive Approach. The Special Needs Coordinator monitors provision for students with wellbeing, emotional, physical and mental health needs. A Thrive Practitioner. Buddies are trained to support fellow students. Counselling support services can be accessed where appropriate Student issues are dealt with by trained staff or by their trusted adult, as they arise. School nurse service is available through parental referral. 	 Time limited and monitored groups address: self-esteem social skills anger management Risk assessments carried out. Fun Fit is targeted to help children with coordination issues. Teacher or TA support for children who are experiencing emotional issues. This may take the form of small group circle time or R-Time and using the Thrive Approach. Children who have eating issues are supported by a buddy, trusted adult and our food provider. 	 TACs, Early Support meetings and reviews are supported by a range of agencies including the school nurse. Additional support for students can be requested from Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service. (CAMHS) Social Care The Dreadnought Centre (A registered charity working with children and young people aged 7-19) Penhaligan's Friends (A registered charity supporting bereaved children, young people, parents and carers) Music therapy Play therapy Students with specific medical conditions have individual health care plans.

7. Social interaction opportunities

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 All students have opportunities for social interaction, regardless of need 	 Sports teams play in local tournaments against other schools in our cluster. 	 Students individually supported by TA's to enable their attendance at after school clubs or events when
 All students are invited on trips and visits subject to necessary risk assessment. 	 All students are encouraged to join clubs held within the community. 	appropriate.
	 More able students are encouraged to take part in sessions at the local secondary schools. (The Roseland Community College) 	

8. The physical environment (accessibility, safety and positive learning environment).

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 Where possible the school is made accessible to students with SEND and there is a disabled toilet available All facilities have wheel chair accessible classes. Students feel safe and in an environment where bullying is acknowledged and dealt with effectively. There is a named 'Designated Safeguarding Lead' (and deputies) and a named 'Child in Care' teacher. All areas of the school endeavours to be an uplifting, positive and supportive learning environment through the Thrive Approach. Teachers focus on rewarding good behaviour to promote a positive learning environment. The rewards and sanctions system is robust and displayed around the school. 	 Non-slip, non-breakable equipment available in practical lessons e.g cooking. Adapted toilet available. Adjustable chairs/ tables can be made available. There are named adults who are 'team teach' trained Sandra Paull, Rachel Moseley and Rachel Hawkins. 	 Specialist equipment in practical lessons enables disabled students to be independent. Classrooms/halls/corridors are made accessible for young people with sensory needs. Sensory equipment is purchased as required – head phones, chew and fiddle objects.

9. Transition from year to year and setting to setting

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 There are links with feeder pre-schools. Pastoral leads identify students who may need extra support at transition. 	 'Buddy' or peer systems are in place for students who are particularly vulnerable at transition. Including the playground 'Buddy Stop.' 	 The SENCO attends annual statement & Education Health and Care (EHC) reviews.
 Primary students visit local secondary schools regularly. 	 Students identified as possibly 	 Students have a structured and gradual transition package from setting to setting. This ensures that
 Nursery/Secondary staff visit school to support transition. 	struggling with transition have many additional visits in small groups.	they are very familiar with routines, key members of staff, running of the school day, environment, etc.
 Transition events are available and accessible to all students across key stages/year groups and settings. 		 Information booklets are prepared to support transition – familiarise students with the room and staff.
• Buddy systems are in place for all students who start school at Veryan Primary School and a 'Buddy Stop' area is signposted in the playground to encourage positive playground experiences.		 Additional visits are arranged for students who require this.
• Trusted adults are chosen by each student so they have an identified person to talk with who they feel comfortable with.		

10. The SEND qualifications of, and SEND training attended by, our staff

To enable all students to have access to the	To enable targeted support and provision	To enable specialist, individualised
curriculum, information and guidance, physical		support and provision

environment, school and	wider community		
 Qualification for Sp SENCO is team terebehaviour strategie Thrive Approaches All staff receive transpecial educational special educational Named Governor strategie parents/carers and Family Information 	each trained and shares es through Team Teach and s. nining and updates on a rding changes, updates to al need. Sharon Adams who is an al needs offering support to d students.	 SENCO is experienced and is up to date and aware of different interventions and possible provisions. One our support staff in our Trust is a specialist for Dyslexia so can support colleagues meet the needs of pupils in our classes. Outside agencies/specialists provide training to meet needs and support. 	 Head of School and SENCO knows how to access specialist and individualised support from agencies. In our Multi Academy Trust we have a trained and experienced member of staff who undertakes any dyslexia screening.
11. Services and or work with:	ganisations that we	What they do in brief	Contact details
Educational Psycholog	gy Team	Educational Psychologists are specialists in learning, behaviour and child development. We work directly with children and young people as well as providing expert advice to their parents, carers and other adults who teach and support them. In Cornwall Council, Educational Psychologists (EPs) work for the Children's Psychology Service which is part of the Children's Early Help,	Katy Neve Senior Educational Psychologist for Mid-Cornwall Advice line: 01872 322888 (Wednesday afternoon 2-5pm) Neve Katy <u>kneve@cornwall.gov.uk</u>

	Psychology & Social Care Services.	
Speech and Language Therapy Team	The Speech and Language Therapy Team works with children, young people and their families in order to help children who have difficulties with communication or with eating, drinking and swallowing.	01726 873033 sarah.newing@nhs.net www.cornwallfoundationtrust.nl s.uk/cft/OurServices/Children ndYoungPeople/SpeechAndLang ageTherapy/asp.
Paediatric Occupational Health	Paediatric Occupational Therapists assess functional and sensory needs and work with parents and carers to enable children to become as independent as possible. This is likely to include a course of activities designed to increase range of movement, co-ordination and sensory awareness.	Alison Botting Children's Community Therapy Lead 01872 254531
Paediatric Physiotherapists	Paediatric Physiotherapists assess movement abilities and plan individual treatment programmes to encourage development and independence. They show parents and carers how to implement exercises and activities so that the child uses them regularly.	Alison Botting Children's Community Therapy Lead 01872 254531
Children's Dietetic Service	This service provides dietetic support to disabled children, their families and the professionals who work with them. The focus is on children diagnosed with a disability who are eating and / or drinking, and who are at risk of under-nutrition.	Alison Botting Children's Community Therapy Lead 01872 254531
AAC Officers	AAC officers introduce Alternative and Augmentative Communication which opens the door on a huge range of equipment and techniques which support or replace spoken and written communication.	Anne Williams aswilliams@cornwall.gov.uk
Vision Support Service	Vision support offer a range of services including specialist teachers for those with a visual impairment, specialist teaching to use assistive technology, mobility and orientation training, functional vision assessments as well as advice on a range of subjects to do with children's vision.	Cornwall Council Children's, Schools and Families Team 0300 1234 101

Social	Offer support and advice to families. They work with	Cornwall Council Children's, Schools and
Workers	school and home to ensure children are cared for and	Families Team
	looked after.	0300 1234 101
Parental Support Advisor	A parental support advisor (PSA) provides a seamless link	Contact through school 01872 501431
	between home and school which enables a student's well-	Ruth Spiers rspiers@theroseland.co.uk
	being and promotes a positive attitude towards	07854494027
	education.	
Doubletrees Special School Outreach Service	Doubletrees can provide a range of Outreach services to	Doubletrees School
	schools in Cornwall. They have extensive experience with	01726 812757
	issues relating to students with complex needs as well as	enquiries@doubletrees.cornwall.sch.uk
	trained tutors in specialisms such as Moving and Handling.	
	They endeavour to work alongside colleagues in Local	
	Authority services rather than replicating work.	

Scope	Scope is a registered charity who provide support for disabled people and their families at home and in the community. In addition to this they provide us with moving and handling training for children.	01726 212706 cornwall@scope.org.uk
School Nurse	School nurses provide confidential advice and health information. This advice is available to students, their parents, carers and teachers. School nurses will help ensure students stay fit and healthy. They also carry out	Carol Hiley – 01872 221704

	height and weight checks in Reception and Year 6 as well as Vision screening in Reception and Hearing checks in Year 1.	
Cornwall Dyslexia Service	This service works closely with schools, students, parents/carers and the Cornwall Dyslexia Association to ensure the successful inclusion of students on the dyslexic continuum. It does this through working with individual students and their families, consultation and training.	<u>dyslexiaservice@cornwall.gov</u> Jane Trapmore jtrapmore@cornwall.gov.uk
Behaviour Support Service	This service provides advice, strategies and support related to behaviour. This could include identifying specific triggers, attachment difficulties and providing strategies to manage these.	Penny Hermes/Nick Price Education, Health and Social Care. Sedgemoor Centre. Priory Road. St Austell. PL25 5AB 01872 327529 07878784818 <u>nprice@cornwall.gov.uk</u>
Early Behaviour Project	Support students in Early Years with Behaviour Needs. Provides advice, strategies and support for schools and parents. Supports school with Thrive Approach.	Lucy Huckle Behaviour Support Worker Learning & Achievement Education Health and Social Care 07483968164
Educational Welfare Officer	Education welfare officers work with schools, students and families to support regular school attendance. They help to sort out problems in school or at home. At Veryan Primary School we have termly meetings with our Educational Welfare Officer to address any attendance issues that may arise	Tom Thorp Contact via school: 01872 501431 Central Office: Sedgemoor Centre Priory Road St Austell 01726 627800 ththorp@cornwall.gov.uk

12. Student progress

Student's progress and attainment is an ongoing process of teaching, learning, consolidating and applying. This is by the class teacher and support staff. The special needs coordinator and curriculum coordinators monitor and review this on a half termly basis. The students are involved with self-assessments at the end of learning tasks and against learning outcomes in lessons. Considering personalised targets students, parents and staff are involved with reviewing the successes of these and setting new goals and targets including celebrations of their achievements and successes.

13. How we know how good our SEN provision is

At Veryan Primary School we are always monitoring and evaluating the quality of our SEN provision. We carry out an annual selfevaluation audit alongside the governor responsible for Special Educational Needs. We monitor our provision through governor monitoring visits, SENCO observations and learning walks and conversations with students. We then put in place a development plan to lead SEN forward. We also ask parents/carers for feedback and comments during review meetings and through parental questionnaires. In terms of intervention and specific provision there is an entrance and exit assessment made to ensure the students are making progress from the provision. We make any appropriate adaptations as necessary.

12. If you wish to complain

If you feel that you have concerns about your student's SEN provision then we urge you to contact school in the first instance, speaking to either the class teacher/SENDCo (Rachel Moseley) /Head of School (Dan Phillips). Concerns may then be escalated if necessary to the SEN governor and Chair of Governors (Richard Best) or to the Board of Directors at Saint Piran's Cross at <u>mlees@stpiranscross.co.uk</u> or telephone number 01726 250260.

Cornwall's Local Offer can be found on The Cornwall Family Information Services (FIS) website: <u>www.cornwallfisdirectory.org.uk</u>

Answers to Frequently asked Questions

1. How does your school know if students need extra help?

Our school has an 'open door' policy to parents/carers and have extremely well-developed links with the parents/carers of students that attend Veryan Primary School. Students who may be vulnerable or those who are causing a concern to staff in terms of behaviour or academic progress, for example, are regularly monitored and assessed by staff. Student's progress and behaviour are monitored through termly tracking systems. If a student transfers to our school from another Primary school then we always do our utmost to find out as much information as possible about that child from both parents/carers and the student's previous school. If there are external professionals involved with that student then their opinions and reports are sought after to ensure that we get the full picture of that student.

2. What should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs?

If you think that your childt may have a special educational need then talk to us. We are here to listen and to help. You should talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance and then after discussion they may set up a meeting with the Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator (SENDCo) and / or the Head of School. Following these meetings steps will be taken to address any concerns you may have about your child.

3. Who is responsible for the progress and success of my child in school?

The progress and success of your child in school is everyone's responsibility. By 'everyone' we mean all school staff, parents/carers as well as the child themselves. Half termly progress meetings with staff ensures progress is tracked and monitored appropriately. Where necessary, specific and targeted intervention support will be deployed. Each year a copy of the Home / School Agreement is sent home to be signed by both the parent/carer and the child. This is then returned to school, signed by the class teacher. Although this is not a legally binding document, we expect all who sign the agreement to adhere to it in equal measures, to support the success and progress of each child.

4. How will the curriculum be matched to my child's needs and how will their needs be supported?

At Veryan Primary School we are flexible and creative with our approach to the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework and Primary Curriculum and plan lessons to be accessible for all. In all classrooms there are three 'waves' of support: Wave 1 – support and resources available to everyone in that class; Wave 2 – support and resources available or tailored for small groups of children; and Wave 3 – support and resources specifically designed for or accessible by individual children. All lessons are differentiated appropriately according to the needs of the children in that class or group whether it be by the amount of support children will receive, resources they may use or the expectation the teacher has of those children when that lesson is finished. We are encouraging the children to be independent in selecting the level of challenge in learning from Getting Going, Ready to Rock and Jetter Setter. The children self-evaluate and peer evaluate their learning with feedback from the teachers. Children are sometimes withdrawn from the classroom in small groups or on a one to one basis for more intensive support from a teacher or teaching assistant, or to take part in an intervention programme designed to meet and support the needs of that individual or group of children. Children may also be withdrawn by staff for physiotherapy sessions or individual speech therapy support.

5. How will I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?

Veryan Primary School operates an effective 'open door' policy to create a constant positive dialogue with parents/carers. In addition to this staff may ask to speak with parents/carers at the end of the school day, parents/carers are invited to attend Parent/Carer Consultations in both the Autumn and Summer terms, and in the Spring term annual reports are sent home to parents/carers, after which parents/carers may request an additional consultation with their child's class teacher if they wish. For pupils with additional needs there are termly meetings to review targets and set new aims. All of this constant dialogue between school and parents/carers will help you to support your child's learning at home and inform you of how they are progressing in school. If at any time you wish to discuss your child then meetings can be arranged with class teacher and / or the Head of School at your request.

6. What support will there be for my child's overall well-being?

Your child's overall wellbeing will be constantly supported in school in a variety of ways. We will help them to be healthy by ensuring that they enjoy good physical and mental health as well as encouraging them to live a healthy lifestyle; we will keep them safe by protecting them from harm and neglect; we will help them to enjoy life and achieve well by giving them opportunities to make the most out of life and by beginning to teach them the skills they need for adulthood; we will help them to make a positive contribution to school, the community and society by being involved in the community and society and discouraging involvement with anti-social or offending behaviour; and we will contribute to their economic well-being by ensuring that they are not prevented by economic disadvantage from achieving their full potential.

7. How do I know that my child is safe in school?

At Veryan Primary School we have a variety of measures, policies and procedures in place to ensure that your child is safe. All staff are checked by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS checks previously known as CRB checks) and have tier 2 child protection training. There are also named members of staff who are trained to tier 3 in child protection. We have a safeguarding policy and have risk assessments in place for a wide variety of activities and situations that may arise. There is a Designated Safeguarding Lead and Deputy in place.

8. How accessible is the school environment?

The whole of the school environment at Veryan Primary School is accessible to everyone who attends school or who comes to visit us. We have good access to every classroom.

9. How will school prepare and support my child through the transition from key stage to key stage and beyond?

Your child will be highly supported by school throughout every transition process. We would meet with everyone involved in supporting a child's needs, talk to the relevant external professionals as well as involving members of staff from the next stage of schooling in these meetings. Where a child is transferring to a secondary school they would be able to undertake extra transition days to allow them to become more familiar with the environment.

10. What specialist services and expertise are available at or accessed by your school?

A list of specialist services used by the school and are accessible to us are on the Family Information Service website. http://www.cornwallfisdirectory.org.uk/kb5/cornwall/fsd/home.page

11. How will my child be included in activities outside the classroom including school trips?

Everyone is included in everything at Veryan Primary School. Activities outside the classroom are a part of everyday life for us and we undertake a wide variety of school trips throughout the year. All children are encouraged to take part in after school clubs, and those children who need it are supported appropriately. The same applies when it comes to trips and camps and adaptations are made where necessary to ensure that every child is included whilst at the same time carefully ensuring that those adaptations do not affect the experiences of other children.

12. How are the school's resources allocated and matched to children's special educational needs?

Each year the school decides on an allocation of money for special educational needs (SEN). For all children identified with additional needs the school itself is expected to meet the first £6000 of any resources and support required by each individual child. For those children with a Statement of Special Educational Need or an Education, Health and Care Plan, spending above the £6000 may be claimed back from the local authority up to a limit set by the resources provided by the statement. In addition to this, these children also have access to free resources and support from external professionals such as Educational Psychologists for example. In-school resources and support are detailed in Personal Learning Plans (PLPs). These plans are individually tailored to each child and specify which resources will be used to support that child, how much support they will receive and whether any additional adult support will be used.

13. What SEND training have the staff at school had or are having?

The Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator (SENDCo) and Head of School have the accredited National Award for SEN Co-ordination, a year-long qualification which looks in depth at the differing types of special educational need, research and pedagogy into a wide variety of educational topics as well as how best to support children with SEN in school.

14. What should I do if I feel that the Local Offer and the Information Report is not being delivered or is not meeting my child's needs?

If you feel that the Local Offer/Information report or the School Offer is not being delivered or is not meeting your child's needs then we urge you to contact school in the first instance, speaking to either the SENDCo (Rachel Moseley) /Head of School (Dan Phillips). Concerns may then be escalated if necessary to the Chair of Governors or to the Board of Directors at Saint Piran's Cross at <u>mlees@stpiranscross.co.uk</u> or telephone number 01726 250260.

15. How is your School Offer and Information report reviewed?

Our School Offer and Information Report is reviewed on an annual basis in consultation with staff, parents/carers and governors of the school.