

25th April 2016

Dear Parents

I am writing to remind you of the important information regarding the arrangements for supporting children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Bradford Council and local schools have published a local offer setting out what support is available to children and young people, aged 0-25, with SEN and disability. The local offer for Dixons Allerton Academy can be found on our website along with the SEND Information Report and SEND Policy.

Statements of special educational needs are being replaced with an Educational Health and Care (EHC) plan. The EHC plan will place much more importance on personal goals and will describe the support your child will receive while they are in education or training. There is a requirement that children and young people with statements are transferred to EHC plans by 1st April 2018.

For those with an SEN or disability who do not need an EHC plan they will access SEN support as required. As a school we will continue to develop the way we work with you as parents or carers when discussing support required, setting clear targets and tracking progress.

In bringing in these important changes we continue to aim to listen in particular to you as parents and our scholars in order to make sure we do what works best for them.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to discuss the reforms and any questions you may have, regarding the Information Report or SEND Policy, with you.

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