

Special Educational Needs & Disabilities – Updates in relation to Covid-19

Our principle goal now and throughout this period is the safety, well-being, support and care of all of our young people at school with SEND. In order to make this as effective and sustainable as possible we have implemented the following seven aspects.

SEND actions at Finham Park 2 Covid19

- Enhanced virtual Hub platform with links to a range of parental support websites for all aspects of SEND
- Liaison with all subjects to ensure that resources are accessible to students with a range of learning needs
- Access to differentiated learning resources on the virtual Hub platform
- Weekly communication with the parents/carers of our vulnerable students
- Offer of support from specialist teams and facilitation of this.
- Risk assessment of most suitable and safe learning environment for all student with an EHCP, reviewed weekly.
- Virtual transition meetings for Year 6 SEND transfer students

Education Health and Care Plans (EHC Plan)

Schools, colleges and parents are still able to request a statutory assessment. The LA will consider evidence that an assessment is necessary per the Code of Practice 9.14, and because of school closure and absence of other professionals due to coronavirus this may be difficult to obtain in the normal way. If this is the case it may take longer to make the decision than normal.

Where the SEND Team already has the information required to complete the needs assessment, work is continuing to progress cases to panel. Panels will continue to meet via virtual technology and the decision whether to issue an

EHC Plan will be made and communicated to parents by telephone and email.

To contact the SEND Team please email SEN@coventry.gov.uk or telephone 024 7683 1614

EHCP annual reviews

Finham Park 2 will ensure that reviews can take place wherever possible, for example where it is appropriate and possible to communicate via virtual technology (ensuring appropriate data protection and other safeguards are in place).

Finham Park 2 Hub Team are in communication with all of our Services and Support for children and young people with SEND below, and will liaise with parents and carers to enable access to these services as required.

- Educational Psychology Team
- Social, Emotional, Mental Health and learning SEMHAL
- Complex Communication Team (CCT)
- VI Sensory Support Service
- HI Sensory Support Service

Educational Provision for Pupils with EHCPs

The government guidance issued on Sunday 22 March stated that all pupils with an EHC plan should be risk-assessed by their school or college in consultation with the local authority (LA) and parents, to decide whether they need to continue to be offered a school or college place in order to meet their needs, or whether they can safely have their needs met at home.

The government continue to emphasise that wherever possible children and young people should remain at home during this time in order to help reduce the spread of coronavirus.

All coronavirus bulletins for schools and education settings are available on the [government website](#).