

All Saints Academy: The SEND Team

There are four teaching assistants at the academy, who are led on a day-to-day basis by Mrs Elizabeth Gaughan, our Learning Manager for SEND students.

Mr David Luck is the member of the senior leadership team with overall responsibility for SEND, in partnership with the Learning Manager and the team, he is responsible for the strategic direction and the overall management of the team.

The philosophy of the SEND team is to support students to achieve maximum progress in their learning. We offer social interventions where they are necessary to support learning, but our main aim is to narrow the gap for SEND students within our care.

In-Class Support

There are less than 10 higher-needs funded students within the academy at present. The teaching assistant team offer in-class support to these students, some of the time. Their needs are variable, and we aim to match need to teaching assistant provision.

Academic Interventions

The team offer academic, small group reading interventions and spelling online interventions. The teaching assistants are also academic mentors to SEND students, monitoring their individual progress and removing barriers to learning where possible.

Social Interventions

Teaching assistants also offer social interventions at 3pm, during our Period 6, usually on a 1:1 basis. These are 6 week modules on:

- Anger management
- Anxiety
- Self Esteem
- Behaviour Modification

Learning Zone

Teaching assistants are on a duty rota in the Learning Zone, this is the specified room allocated to support SEND students during break-out time. The room has regular students who come to play bingo [our most popular lunchtime!], chill on their laptops, talk to friends, find a safe place, or they come for adult support:

- 8.30-8.50am before school
- 11.10-11.30am break
- 12.30-1.00pm lunchtime [SEND students may eat their packed lunch in the Learning Zone]
- 3-4pm Homework Club

Teaching assistants are supported by our SEND Student Leaders, a team of upper school students who also complete a 'duty' in the Learning Zone.

The All Saints SEND team are like many other SEND teams, they are immersed in the life of the academy and their students. They give generously of their time and offer a variety of other things to our students.

We look forward to welcoming a new member to our team!

Current Staffing Structure in the SEND Team

SLT SEND Co-ordinator:	Mr David Luck
SEND Learning Manager:	Mrs Elizabeth Gaughan
Teaching Assistant:	Mrs Eilis Carr
Teaching Assistant:	Mrs L Thornton
Teaching Assistant:	Mrs Marie Clapton
Teaching Assistant:	Mrs Helen Mogg (Part Time)