

Frequently Asked Questions:

Will my child be on the SEN register?

If a child is on the SEN register at primary school, we maintain this through transition. The register is reviewed termly in accordance with our [SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS AND DISABILITY \(SEND\) POLICY 2019](#) (available on the school website)

My child had support in primary, will it continue at Hilbre?

For children to be maintained on the SEN register, they must be assessed as requiring a level of support that is beyond that which we would ordinarily expect in the classroom. Our initial priority is to focus on children's literacy and numeracy abilities as well as to provide support for students who need help with social and communication difficulties. The need for additional support will also be determined by the outcome of testing that we undertake in Year 7. For some students who have had support in primary school, the SENCO will determine may take the decision that this support has been very effective and that they are able to learn independently. The SEND Department work very closely with all Teachers and therefore there are regular and ongoing reviews of the SEN register throughout the academic year.

How do I contact the SENCO?

You can contact the SENCO or Deputy SENCO by phoning the school office or emailing senco@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk

How will Teachers know about the needs of my child?

We collect detailed information from primary schools in the Summer term and this is shared with Teachers and Form Tutors before the Autumn term starts. If students are to be maintained on the SEN register, we will write a Provision Map document (similar to a one page profile you may have seen in primary school), which summarises the student's needs and the provision, strategies and approaches which may be helpful in meeting these needs.

I have concerns about an undiagnosed needs of my child/ward?

We are always happy to talk to parents and carers about any concerns that you may have about their child/ward. The first step would be to contact and discuss your concerns with the SEND Department. We will assess the evidence and listen to your

concerns, and if appropriate, initiate a referral to the appropriate NHS services and/or sign-post you for more support.