

The different agencies that are used to ensure proper and appropriate support is given to each child with SEND

Some of the agencies we work with are as follows:

Agency or Service	Who they work with	How school can get in touch with them
Behaviour Support Service (BSS)	Children or young people with emotional, social or mental health difficulties that impacts on their behaviour in school	School have an allocated worker who they will contact after a parent or carer signs a referral form
Communication and Autism Team (CAT)	Children or young people who are being assessed for or already have a diagnosis of Autism or communication difficulties. They will also provide support for families of children or young people with these difficulties	School have an allocated worker who they will contact after a parent or carer signs a referral form
Educational Psychology Service (EPS)	Children or young people with complex needs. An Educational Psychologist will always be involved with a child or young person who is referred for an Education, Health and Care Plan.	School have an allocated worker who they will contact after a parent or carer signs a referral form
Physical Disability Service (PDSS)	Children or young person with physical difficulties which impact on their access in the school setting.	School have an allocated worker who they will contact after a parent or carer signs a referral form

Pupil and School Support (PSS)	Children or young people who are working below the levels expected for their age and struggle with reading, writing, spelling or maths. A PSS teacher will also work with staff in schools offering support, advice and training.	Pupil and School Support teachers regularly visit schools. School will let parents or carers know if they need to work with the child or young person
Sensory Support Service (SSS)	Children or young people who have particular sensory needs such as visual or hearing difficulties where access to the usual school environment is effective.	Pupils are usually referred following a medical diagnosis; however school can phone them for further support and general advice.
Speech and Language Therapy Service - NHS and Soundswell	Children or young people with a high level speech and language difficulties.	School can fill in a form which parents or carers sign. The family doctor can also complete this form and a child will be referred to the NHS speech and language service. At present St Cuthbert's also engage in using Soundswell - Speech and Language support service to come in and support children with speech and language difficulties.
Aspire mentoring	Children who have social and emotional needs and difficulties.	<i>School completes a referral. Mr Andy Samuels works on school site throughout the week (Wednesday-Friday). He supports children and families.</i>

Occupational Therapy	Children or young people with physical difficulties that require regular exercise.	Schools cannot refer a child to Occupational Therapy unless they have previously accessed the service. A referral is made by educational support services and health professionals. Once a child has an assessment or an allocated occupational therapist then school can contact them.
School Nurse	Children or young people with medical needs particularly where medication is needed.	<i>The School Nurse is in contact with school offering their services and support, particularly around training.</i>

