

## SEND14 National Changes

This September, the Government changed the Special Education Needs Code of Practice, replacing the stages of support previously called School Action and School Action Plus with a single category of SEN Support.

Statements have also been replaced with Education and Health Care Plans (EHCP). Previously, a Statement of Special Educational Needs detailed education provision with some pupils who had more complex needs having a health care plan and/or a social care action plan in addition. The new EHCP will integrate these into one plan that professionals from all three areas would agree to follow. Local authorities and health authorities will now be required work together to accomplish this. The threshold for assessment will be the same as with statutory assessment for a Statement. Pupils who currently have a Statement will gradually be transferred onto the new system.

The new category of SEN Support is intended only for those pupils who have needs that are significantly greater than their peers and that can only be met through different provision, often involving external agencies such as Speech and Language support or Physical therapies. This means that some children who receive primarily in class or group support no longer fall into the category of Special Needs.

In line with the new Code of Practice, we aim to continue to deliver high quality first teaching in the classroom and targeted intervention through classroom programmes in order to meet all children's individual learning needs. At Barnsbury, we are very concerned that all children's needs, including those who no longer fall into a special needs category continue to be met.

All children's progress will continue to be monitored carefully by our SEN team and teaching staff and you have the opportunity to review that with the class teacher at our termly parent consultation evenings.

Please click here to see the provision that we have in place to support children with different SEN needs: [\(link to Wave of provision summary\)](#)

Please click here for our SEND 14 Information Report [\(Link to SEND 14\)](#)