### **Willow Farm Primary School**

### SEND Information Report 2025–2026

At Willow Farm, we believe every child is unique and deserves to feel safe, valued, and supported. We're proud to be a nurturing, inclusive, and community-focused school, guided by our PRIDE values:

Positive • Responsible • Inquisitive • Determined • Empathetic

This summary explains how we support children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), and how we work in partnership with families to help every child thrive.

#### What is SEND?

SEND stands for **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities**. A child may have SEND if they need extra support to learn, communicate, manage emotions, or access the school environment. This can include:

- Speech, language and communication needs
- Cognition and Learning difficulties
- Social, emotional or mental health needs
- Physical or sensory needs

## How do we identify SEND?

We know our children well. If a child is finding something difficult, we:

- Talk with parents and carers
- Observe and assess in class
- Try different strategies to help
- Involve specialists if needed (with your consent)

We follow the **Assess-Plan-Do-Review** cycle from the SEND Code of Practice, which means we regularly check how things are going and adapt support as needed.

### **Working Together**

We believe in **teamwork**—school, home, and child. You know your child best, and your voice matters. We:

- Involve you in decisions
- Listen to your child's views
- Share updates and celebrate progress
- · Offer support and guidance

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## What support might my child receive?

Support is tailored to your child's needs and may include:

- Adapted lessons and resources
- 1:1 or small group support
- Emotional wellbeing strategies
- Help from external professionals
- Adjustments to the classroom or school environment

Our goal is to help every child feel confident, curious, and proud of their progress.

# Transitions and Preparing for the Future

We support children through changes, whether starting school, moving year groups, or joining a new setting. We offer:

- Extra visits and transition plans
- Photo books and social stories
- Meetings with new staff
- Liaison with other schools

## **Staff Training**

Our staff receive regular training to support children with SEND. This includes:

- Inclusive teaching strategies
- Mental health awareness
- Speech and language support
- Sensory needs and regulation

#### Who can I talk to?

All our teachers and teaching assistants want to work in partnership with you to help your child flourish and belong. We welcome regular communication and operate an open-door policy where we can work together.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact:

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