Special Educational Needs (SEN) Process at Galliard Primary School

The following outlines the process followed at Galliard when a concern arises regarding a child's progress or presentation in school.

1. Initial Concern

Concerns may be raised by either a parent or the class teacher about a child's progress, learning, or overall presentation.

2. Department Discussion

The class teacher brings the concern to the Department meeting. Staff work collaboratively to identify strategies, scaffolds, and advice to support the child within the classroom.

3. Completion of Concern Form

If the agreed strategies are implemented but concerns remain, the class teacher completes a Concern Form and submits it to the SENCO (Special Educational Needs Coordinator).

4. Parent-Teacher-SENCO Meeting

A meeting is arranged between the parents, class teacher, and SENCO to discuss the child's needs in more detail.

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5. Information Gathering and Next Steps

During the meeting, relevant family history and background information are collected. Next steps are discussed, which may include referrals to external agencies or professionals for further assessment or support.

6. SEN Register and Individual Education Plan (IEP)

With parental consent, the child is added to the SEN Register. The class teacher creates an Individual Education Plan (IEP) with SMART targets (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound). The IEP is reviewed and shared with parents each term.

7. Further Support and Assessment

If the child's needs are significant and limited progress is made after two IEP review cycles, the SENCO will discuss with the parents the process of applying for an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) or referral to specialist services.

8. Reviewing SEN Status

If the child makes sustained progress and no longer requires additional support, the teacher discusses removal from the SEN Register with the parents and informs the SENCO.