




Elleray Park School

Admissions Information





Children are admitted to Elleray Park once they have an Education Health Care Plan. The Local Authority (LA) will have discussed all available options to you and you have a right to say which special school you want your child to go to. The LA will advise you on which special schools would meet the learning needs of your child.

The LA must agree with your preference as long as:

- The school you choose is suitable for your child's age, ability, skills and special educational needs.
- Your child's attendance at your preferred school will not have a detrimental effect upon the education of other children already at that school.
- Placing your child in that school will be an efficient use of the LA resources.
- You may want your child to go to a school not run by the LA; a non-maintained special school or an independent school. The LA will consider your wishes, but if there is a suitable state school within the LA they are unlikely to spend public money on another option.
- Under the Children and Families Bill, all schools will be required to admit pupils with statements of SEN or Education, Health and Social Care Plans, where a particular school or setting is named; even if that school or setting is full.

Who can I turn to for support to help resolve disagreements?

SEN Partnership

Wirral SEND Partnership (formally Parent Partnership) is an impartial, independent and confidential service which gives free information, advice and support about matters relating to Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND) and is for parents or carers of children aged 0-25, and young people aged 16-25 with special educational needs and /or disabilities.

You can contact them at WIRED, Parent Partnership, Unit 7, Wirral Business Park, Arrowe Brooke Road, Upton, Wirral, CH49 1SX. 0151 670 1600. Further information can be found at contact@wired.me.uk



What is a disagreement resolution service?

Disagreement resolution services provide an informal way of preventing and sorting out disagreements between parents (whose children have SEN) and the LA or school. They attempt to work quickly and informally. You can still appeal against decisions to the First Tier Tribunal (SEN and Disability)

What is the First Tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability)?

Parents can appeal to the Tribunal if you've made a request for an assessment to the local authority after 1 September 2014 and they refuse to arrange this assessment. Then your right of appeal against the decision will be under the Children and Families Act 2014 and should be sent to the Tribunal using the following form [SEND24 - Application for appeal \(child under 16 years\)](#). You can find out more about the Tribunal from:

HMCTS

Special Educational Needs & Disability Tribunal / Care Standards Tribunal /
Primary Health Lists Tribunal

1st Floor Darlington Magistrates Court

Parkgate

DL1 1RU

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