



Vale of Evesham School

'a specialist school for cognition and learning - enabling inclusion in the community'



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Autism Resource Centre

The Autism Resource Centre (ARC) is situated in Lower school. Children come in very small groups (across the key stages) with an accompanying Teaching Assistant from class.

The focus on the sessions includes working on the key areas of language and communication, intensive interaction and the pre requisite skills needed for social interaction.

We also work on specific targets on an individual basis. We use principles of [T.E.A.C.C.H.](#) These skills are then generalised into other settings within the school environment.

It is a brilliant experience seeing the pupils initiate contact and positively engage with adults and peers. I believe that young children with autism need to see the potential effects they can have on people and their surroundings and harness this enthusiasm.

ARC believes in close liaison with staff and parents and is involved in parents evenings and Annual reviews. We can also work closely with families to help with issues such as behaviour, communication and sleep.

As a result of a very successful external audit we have add sessions with pupils from Key Stage 3. These have also covered issues such as puberty and sharing a diagnosis. There is always a focus on increasing independence skills.

ARC is a very popular place with our pupils, the low arousal environment gives pupils time and staff to process.

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