



Cornerstone's Vision Admissions Outreach



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Cornerstone's Vision

Cornerstone Academy aims to help every primary school re-engage their most disengaged children. Ultimately preventing any child from reception to year 6 in Cheshire East receiving a permanent exclusion. Our key focus is to help children make a successful return to full time education or where this is not possible, help identify the best forms of provision to meet a child's specific needs.

What we do

- Build positive feelings of self-worth and resilience
- Develop communication skills
- Foster positive attitudes to family and society
- Develop a range of life and social skills
- Identify personal feelings and coping strategies
- Make increased academic progress

We work with children for a period of time, generally over a six to twelve week period of time, although this timeframe is flexible and is tailored to the needs of each child. Assessment places will receive a bespoke package based on need and further assessment timelines. We are further supported in our work by a range of professionals including an Educational Psychologist, SENDCO and Family Support Services.

From referral, identified children are observed and assessed in their home school by a member of the Cornerstone Team.

We always endeavour to tailor the curriculum to children's individual needs. Through core literacy and numeracy, along with Outdoor Learning which is embedded in our focused practice. This, in turn, develops vital skills needed to engage in a wider curriculum as well as helping the children to learn and value cooperation, teambuilding, trust and friendship.

Outreach

School Support

Cornerstone offers outreach in terms of behaviour management advice and techniques, training and behaviour audits.

Home Support

Cornerstone offers advice and support in the home from a support worker, helping parents and carers with practical advice around behaviour and routines in the home.

Positive Handling

We offer positive handling training to school staff. We go through the practical aspects of positive handling and, practice the mechanics through repetition. What is reasonable force and when can it be used? Training can be delivered during a half day inset or through twilight sessions.

For more information on our outreach services, please contact Cornerstone Academy.

Costs, Transport and Transition

Costs from September 2022 are:

School Placement Costs

£250.00 per pupil per week for Maintained Schools

£300.00 per pupil, per week for Academies

Outreach Costs

£750.00 per session of positive handling training - maximum of 25 people

£350.00 per refresher session of positive handling training – maximum 25 people

£200.00 per school support session. Lasting approximately one hour

Transport

Ideally, parents transport their child as they normally would, or the home school may arrange a taxi or transport in their school mini bus.

Transition

When the transition process starts, it is vital that the sending school release a member of staff to begin working with the child at Cornerstone. Supplying a member of staff at this point will allow successful strategies to be shared so they can be implemented back at the home school.