



What are the main barriers to educational achievement and how does Kings Avenue School overcome these barriers?

English Support - All children receive quality first teaching, but some of our learners need a little additional support with speaking, listening, reading and writing. We have increased the provision for SALT; phonic provision and catch up programmes, interventions and boosters.

Maths Support - As with literacy, all pupils receiving quality first teaching. In maths there is a focus on number and problem solving and children who would benefit from additional support are identified by the teaching staff.

Home-learning and Revision Support - All children are provided with homework books and this supports their parents to help them at home

Exercise - Our learners need to be active and fit in order to keep healthy. To ensure there are plenty of opportunities for physical exercise we employ PE coaches who offers expert teaching as part of PPA cover. We also have gym equipment in the playground which is regularly used and table tennis tables.

Emotional and social skills - A significant proportion of learners including those with SEND, find it difficult to regulate and manage their emotions. We offer support through Drama therapy, the Educational Psychologist service, Speech and Language Therapy the school nurse.

Parental engagement and support of parents to facilitate their child's learning -Regular parent workshops support parents to access the wider curriculum, providing practical examples to show how parents can support the learners. Teachers are available to discuss learning or any other issues with parents. Teachers use the Target Tracker gap analysis to discuss and exemplify progression at Parents' Consultation Days. Parents are invited into school as volunteers, to accompany trips and to share in many assemblies and the celebration of learning

Food - Some families have to manage on a very low income. To ensure all learners have adequate healthy diets, the school offers a hot free school meal for all learners in EYFS and KS1 and for eligible learners in KS2. Fruit and school milk are available to eligible pupils. There is a very popular, free fruit club offered to ensure children make a healthy start to the day and are ready to learn. Healthy eating information for parents is available through workshops and the school nurse is always ready to provide advice and support.