WILLOW DENE School Development Plan 2023-24

To provide support, participation and involvement of siblings of all ages and develop relationships between them and the school.



WHY

To build on and embed relationships with teenage siblings. To provide support in order for adult siblings to play an active role in their siblings' education and to foster a sense of pride with all siblings of our families.



SUCCESS

Siblings will have a better understanding of their brother or sister with SEND, be proud of and celebrate their differences.

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| What? (action) | Why? (is the change needed) | Success (what will it look / sound like?) | Evaluation (sources of impact feedback) | |
| Launch the sibling part of the website | To provide opportunities for siblings be represented within the Willow Dene community, whilst having access to resources for support. | Siblings of our families are aware of their area of the website and are actively engaging with it. | Feedback from siblings Website traffic data Engagement in the information on the site. | |
| Provide an opportunity for adult siblings to come together socially | To tap into a group of siblings that haven't yet been targeted for support. To get a better understanding of what support is | This group of siblings will enjoy a social event with each other and we will have a clear idea of what and how we can support this group in | Feedback from siblings | |

FOCUS AREA: Siblings

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| | wanted/needed from this specific group. | the future which will inform future planning. | |
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| Organise and implement a teenage sibling event | To continue to build a relationship with this group of siblings with Willow Dene and each other. | The event is well attended and new connections are made with each other and with Willow Dene. The siblings enjoy themselves and relax in a different environment. | Feedback form from the siblings Twitter feed |
| Organise a sibling display for the reception display board | To display and celebrate the events that have been held so far at Willow Dene. Showcase competition entries for families, visitors and the Willow Dene community to enjoy. | The display board will be eyecatching and draw people in to look at it more closely. Siblings will see themselves represented and showcased. | Feedback from governors, staff, families and visitors |
| Launch a sibling competition | To provide an opportunity for siblings to spend time together to create something that will then be judged. | There will be lots of entries from across the school and all contributions will be showcased at our winter event. | Feedback from siblings and families |
| Continue to develop a piece of literature about siblings of children with SEND | To complement and formalise the work with siblings that the school is carrying out | Nearer to completing a published piece of work which is useful to the wider education community. | Feedback from a range of stakeholders. |
| Research and attend CPD opportunities | To extend our own knowledge and understanding of siblings, young carers and how to support siblings. | EB and JG-S will have an increased understanding of what is on offer and how to best support siblings and young carers across the age categories. This information is disseminated to stakeholders. | Own knowledge and understanding increased. |