

#### Welcome

The Bridge SEN School is an independent school for young adults with special needs aged 14-25. We offer academic and related services for students with autism, ADHD, dyslexia, learning disabilities and challenging behaviour to help them prepare for adulthood and develop independence. The Bridge (SEN) School is a subsidiary of Right Support Management Ltd.

This brochure is designed to give parents/carers information about the school, its aims, ethos, policies, organisation and curriculum.

We have a strong team of staff who are committed to providing a high-quality learning environment where children can achieve their full potential. Our team of trained teachers and specialists works hard t ensure that everyone receives personalize education and an enjoyable learning experience. We are accredited by well-known institutions including ASDAN and PEARSON. In addition to instruction in academic subjects, students have the opportunity to participate in art, sports, indoor and outdoor recreational activities and also work experience programmes.



**Edith Eneanya-Bonito** 

### Mission Statement

Underpinning our ethos at The Bridge SEN School is a 'personal growth towards independence' model of teaching, whereby each pupil is educated through various techniques, both formally and informally, to achieve their developmental milestones. Our model of teaching drives our vision to educate our pupils socially, morally and intellectually. We believe that everyone has potential, and that developing this through rich curricular experiences in an exciting environment that fosters creativity, development and ambition, is deeply beneficial. The Bridge SEN School is a hub of high expectations, standards and creative flair which ensures that all students have the opportunity to reach their potential and developmental goals.

The graphics represent the activities the student is expected to engage in order to achieve these expected outcomes. According to the progress the student makes, they can reduce the activities that he/she is already familiar with and replace them with areas that still require a little work.

Pathway - Stage 1		Pathway- Stage 2	Pathway - Stage3
Maintaining Good Heatlh	ШШ	Maintaining Good Heatlh	Maintaining Good Heatlh
Education and Learning		Education and Learning	Education and Learning
Friendship, relationships and being part of my community		Friendship, relationships and being part of my community	Friendship, relationships and being part of my community
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	Maintaining good health	I have developed independence with my personal hygiene. I am able to dispose off rubbish in a safe manner	By the end of the programme, the child or young person will have responded to social stories, staff request and stop doing unhygienic activities related to use of hands and toilets appropriately.  By the end of the programme, the child or young person will be able to dispose off rubbish in agreed places by following adult care instructions about safe places and systems to dispose off rubbish.		
re a	Education and Learning	I am able to follow adult instructions  I am able to write my first name on the computer  I am able to recognise £1 coins  I am able to remain in a learning environment	By the end of the programme, the child or young person will be able to listen to adults who have directed him/her to positive changes and accepted this change calmly.  By the end of the programme, the child or young person will be able to write his/her first name independently on the computer.  By the end of the programme, the child or young person will be able to will be able to select £1 from other coins while shopping.  By the end of the programme, the child or young person will be able to inform adult that he/she has wishes to leave and then will be offered a learning break.		
	Friendship, relationships and part of my community	People supporting me understand how I communicate and ensure that use the most effective techniques s that I can be understood by others  I am able to initiate conversation with new people.	and be understood by others. The child or young person will		
	Independent living and housing	I have developed friendship in my new setting	By the end of the programme, the child or young person will be able to develop relationship between peers in a new supported living environment by sharing common interests, eating together and sharing some lecture time together.		
	Preparing for and finding employment	I understand what type of work I wai to pursue. I understand what type of work-related skills and routines.	By the end of the programme, the child or young person will have a vocational profile, which can be used to explore a range of realistic work opportunities.  By the end of the programme, the child or young person will have evidence of his/her work based on skills and plan to seek a regular work-based activity in the chosen vocational area to broad on his/her work-related learning.		

#### **Our Aims**

#### Our aim for the learners

- To make sure they are comfortable with the school environment.
- To make sure the learners have conducive environment that is Risk free from accident
- To make our learners contribute positively to the school and community
- To always engage them with multi-sensory activity at all time
- To make them feel safe and secure in school and the community
- To also support them emotionally and academically in order to make them transit into the community and become independent.



#### Edith Eneanya-Bonito - Principal

James Nuttall - Academic Manager & Head Teacher

**Chinwe - SEN Teacher** 

Nike - SEN Teaching Assistant

## Governing Body

**Don Okoro** 

Lynn Nuttall Tracey Eldridge

Freda Jacobson

Nwamaka Akukwe - Parent Governor

**Hannah Otoo** 

John Babalola

**Dr Adesola Sewo** 

The Bridge SEN School

# School Day and Timetable

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	friday
Ready to learn	Ready to learn	Ready to learn	Ready to learn	Ready to learn
Managing routines	Managing routines	Managing routines	Managing routines	Managing routines
Greetings	Greetings	Greetings	Greetings	Greetings
Timetables	Timetables	Timetables	Timetables	Timetobles
OT Exercises	OT Exercises	OT Exercises	OT Exercises	OT Exercises
Literacy/Numeracy/English/maths	Literacy/Numeracy/English/maths	Literacy/Numeracy/English/maths	Literacy/Numeracy/English/maths	Literacy/Numeracy/English/maths
C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I
News and Media	Cooking	PSHE	Work Skills	Personal skills / Communication
ICT/Literacy	Following instructions	Sexual health/Hygiene	Arts and Crafts	Self expression
Using adaptive communication to	Numeracy/Literacy	Beliefs	Enterprise	Sensory exploration
share news, ideas and opinions	Good health	Citizenship	Science	Numeracy
School newspaper	Safety/Using equipment	Cultural Studies	Motor skills	Communication
Filming/recording	Keeping things clean and tidy	Wellbeing	Following instructions	Choices
Geography/History	Motor skills	Relationships	Safety/using equipment	Tolerance of others
C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I
Fruit Break	Fruit Break	Fruit Break	Fruit Break	Fruit Break
C/I SEMH S/P I	C/I SEMH S/P	C/I SEMH S/P I	C/I SEMH S/P I	C/I SEMH S/P I
Sports	Work Skills	Swimming	Park / Community excursion	Park / Community excursion
Self regulation	Work experience in or outside of	Self regulation	Self regulation	Self regulation
Community skills / Social interaction	college/volunteering	Community skills / Social interaction	Community skills / Social interaction	Community skills / Social interaction
Motor skills	Litter/cleaning/gardening/office skills	Motor skills	Motor skills	Motor skills
SEMH S/P I	Travel training	SEMH S/P I	SEMH S/P I	SEMH S/P I
	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I			
Lunch and Choosing	Lunch and Choosing	Lunch and Choosing	Lunch and Choosing	Lunch and Choosing
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Shopping	Communication	Self-Assessment	Yoga & Sensory exploration	Community excursions
Planning /Making a list	Sharing snacks/drinks prepared	ICT/Literacy	C/I SEMH S/P I	Bowling/trampolining/cinema/cafe
Budgeting /Ordering/shopping	Sitting at a table together	Evaluation of work	Self regulation	Safety
C/I C/LI	Conversation starters	Making a CV	Community skills	Social skills
Music	Book club/ music review	Planning futures/dream and ambitions	Social interaction	Relationships
C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	Using SLT adaptive resources	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I	Motor skill	Health and wellbeing
Self regulation / Social Interaction	C/I C/L SEMH S/P I			C/I C/L SEMH S/P I
Reading and Shared Attention	Reading and Shared Attention	Reading and Shared Attention	Reading and Shared Attention	Sensory Exploration
C/I C/L	C/I C/L	C/I C/L	C/I C/L	C/I C/L
Evaluation	Evaluation	Evaluation	Evaluation	Evaluation
Preparation for home	Preparation for home	Preparation for home	Preparation for home	Preparation for home
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# **Application Process**

When a decision is made that educational input for a leaner is required, a referral form is completed by the funding authority and relevant documentation is sent to The Bridge so as to provide insight on the needs of the individual. Following this, a face-to-face assessment is arranged whereby our staff will meet with the individual to carry out a comprehensive assessment of needs, so as to ensure that the right placement is determined. The educational support and attention is used for the small steps which lead to a fulfilling and independent future for individuals, with proper consideration taken of their cognitive abilities, sensory/motor skills and behaviour, communicative abilities, physical abilities/disabilities and their overall independence. After the assessment a Learning Assessment Profile (LAP) is prepared highlighting the outcomes of the assessment and providing details to understand and facilitate the development of the particular student.

The LAP is then sent to parents and the local authority and once funding has been approved by the local authority, the learner is able to start their education and growth

with us.

Transitioning to a new environment will result in changes to routines and structures which may sometimes be challenging, time-consuming and occasionally even frustrating for some students. The school therefore creates a unique transition programme to ensure each learner comfortably adjusts to their new life at school.





# A Student's Journey at The Bridge SEN School

1. INTAKE ASSESSMENT AND REFERRAL

- Referral of student
- Assessment of student
- Preparation of LAP

2. TRANSITION

- The Bridge SEND School prepare a transition plan
- The transition plan is approved
- The student begins the transition period
- The transition is adjusted according to the student's needs or performance
- The student successfully completes his/hertransition

3. LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Outcomes are set for the student
- The student begins attending the school regularly
- Termly reports are produced to chart his/herprogress
- Learner starts to consider future employability opportunities

4. STEP DOWN

- The student's progress while attending the Bridge is reviewed
- A plan for the student's transition is constructed & approved
- The student leaves the Bridge

At the Bridge, each student can stay for as long as they wish until they are over the age 25.

During this time, through the support of teaching staff and dedicated care workers, The Bridge will continue to deliver practical and emotional support in order to enable people who use the school to maximise their own potential and live more independently. As they progress through the school learners will have the chance to choose potential career paths or opportunities for future work.



Bullying is not tolerated at The Bridge SEN School. There are very few incidents of bullying here, and if they do occur they are dealt with immediately and are taken extremely seriously. All learners are taught how wrong bullying is and as part of the PSHE and communication education they are taught how to request help.

Our Anti-Bullying policy is available on request.

## Safeguarding

At The Bridge SEN School we take our learner's safety seriously. We believe that every student should feel safe whilst at our school. All students should be treated with respect, dignity and courtesy, regardless of their age, race, sex or religion. We will not tolerate abusive or aggressive behaviour from anybody towards any students or members of staff. The Safeguarding Officer, or the Welfare Officer can be spoken to regarding any issue of student safety. Our Safeguarding, Complaints, Behaviour and SEN Policy are all available on our website. https://www.thebridge-s hool.co.uk/policies/Please contact the school if you wish to see any of our other policies.



We believe that every disabled young person and those with SEN should have access to a high quality range of activities which helps them discover and maximise their potential. This has inspired our curriculum to be designed in such a way that helps students develop skills, equip themselves with knowledge, discover who they are and - importantly - have fun.



#### Our curricular activities include:

- Music Class
- Arts and Craft
- Yoga and Relaxation Class
- Fitness
- Personal Social Health Education (PSHE)
- Communication Skills
- Science/Sexual Health
- Maths & Numeracy
- Cooking Class
- Drama Skills
- Karoke Session
- Sensory Exploration

- Dance Therapy
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Literacy and Reading Skills
- Computing Skills
- Offsite Learning Skills for independence
- Work experience



Our aim is to give participants the space to make their own choices and take ownership of what they achieve. Students will be studying how to function appropriately and efficiently in modern society, and how to live as independently as possible. To help them communicate, they will have access to a range of options and engage in a variety of activities which ensure there is plenty of opportunity to practice.

#### **Attendance and Absence**



Attendance in school is very important which is used for records and supervision, we placed our set target o be 90%. we ensure to make learners enjoy coming to school but due to the disabilities of a learner he/she might be absent from school because of one challenges or the other he/she might have encountered the previous night. And this leave us concerned of what the problem may be, we try as much as possible to contact the family to know why and we also plead with the family to always put a call across to the school if the learner is not coming to school.

## Scheme of Work

Each learner has their own individual scheme of work created to help them achieve their specified outcomes. This is created after their initial assessment and regularly reviewed to help ensure that the student's focus is maintained, keeping them challenged and geared towards maximum achievement.



## Sensory

Our centres have their own sensory rooms and make use of recognised sensory equipment. This allows clients to experience relief in a calm and relaxing environment, and to use the equipment to regulate their own sensory needs.



# Transport

The Bridge SEN School has its own transport and is able to pick up learners from their homes, and then take them back at the end of each day. This service can be shared with clients from similar locations.









# Complaints

It is important that all parents and guardians feel supported and know whom to contact should they have a problem. This helps to allow any such problems to be resolved efficiently and effectively.

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Staff at The Bridge SEN School are committed to providing high quality education in a caring environment for each and every child. Problems may occasionally arise involving a child and, whilst we appreciate that parents will be naturally protective of their own children, we would ask that all adults remain calm when resolving issues. Parents must always refer their concerns to the school directly.

Parents and carers have a positive and invaluable role to play in education. We wish to encourage a genuine exchange of views and information, and to promote a climate of mutual support with our joint endeavours.

The school's complaints policy and procedure can be found on our website. If you would like to contact the Chair of Governors, please speak to the school office to request their contact details.



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