

Learning@Silverdale

Being ready for the next stage of education, training or employment

2022 - 2023

Where children learn @Silverdale

Silverdale Organisation comprises of the following:

Silverdale@Howdon.

Silverdale Special School situated at Howdon. The main site accommodates pupils aged 7 to 16 years of age who have Education Health Care Plans for Social Emotional and Mental Health Needs (SEMH). The main site building supports KS3 and KS4 students. The Primary and Middle departments are situated in the Langdale Centre.

Number of places: 110

Silverdale@Howdon - ASD/SEMH Provision situated at the main site. This provision offers a bespoke curriculum to a small group of KS3 students who experience barriers to learning due to both their ASD and SEMH needs. The classes are small and located in a quiet, low stimulus area of the site. Pupils accessing the ASD/SEMH Provision also share facilities such as the play areas, Multi Use Games Area, Cookery Room etc. where appropriate. When in KS4 the Oasis and Upper School students work together with specialist teachers on qualification pathways.

Silverdale@TheCoast

Silverdale Learning Centre situated at Monkhouse Primary School, North Shields. This specialist centre offers places for vulnerable students who are unable to cope with accessing the main site. They receive a bespoke curriculum focussing on building social skills and resilience delivered by a highly skilled staff working 1:1, 1:2 and 2:1 as needed.

Number of places: 8

Silverdale@Killingworth

Silverdale Commissioned Service, situated at Grasmere Academy, Killingworth. The Commissioned Service supports pupils aged 3 to 11 years who are struggling to cope in mainstream settings due to their SEMH needs. The pupils are dual registered with their home school and access a full time highly differentiated and personalised curriculum, delivered stage not age. The pupils are assessed during their time at the Commissioned Service and next steps may include transition back to mainstream with an EHCP or transition to a specialist setting which meets their needs again with an EHCP.

Number of places: 36

Silverdale Outreach Team situated at the Commissioned Service, Killingworth. The Outreach Team of 10 work across all North Tyneside first, middle and primary schools on request. Their remit is to support mainstream settings in keeping children with SEMH in school. The Team offer courtesy visits, bespoke workshops, pupil interventions, direct work with all staff, strategy maps and reports, meetings with families, multi-agency working and chair Outreach Review Meetings.

Where will my child be taught?

In the Commissioned Service based at Killingworth we work with children aged 3 to 11 years of age. We use a baseline of academic ability and also look at the child's needs and presentation to try to match them to a class where they will be able to access the curriculum, make friends within a similar age group and feel comfortable. The classes at the Commissioned Service can have mixed age ranges and we try to keep that within a couple of years of age range, e.g. Years 4, 5 and 5. Children can come to the Commissioned Service at any time in the year, we will always have a discussion with families about where we think a child will be happiest and make the best progress. Sometimes classes may have a wider age range but the children will be working on an academic curriculum that bests meets their needs. The Commissioned Service classes are called:

Buttertubs – Year 1 and Year 2, planned to accommodate 6 pupils
Hedgehope – Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4, planned to accommodate 10 pupils
Simonside – Year 4 planned to accommodate 10 pupils
Cheviot – Year 5 and Year 6, planned to accommodate 10 pupils
Classes will change over the academic year as children come onto roll.

In Primary, based at the Langdale site, we support children from Year 3 to Year 6 aged 7 to 11 years. Again children may be in mixed age range classes if this best supports their academic and personal needs. The classes are called:

Kinder Scout – 6 pupils, Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Pen-y-ghent – 6 pupils, Year 4 and Year 6 Crossfell – 6 pupils, Year 5 and Year 6 Hart Side – 5 pupils, Year 4 and year 5

In the Middle School, also based at the Langdale site, we support students from Year 7 and year 8.

Malham Cove – 7 students, all Year 7

High Force – 7 students. Year 7 and Year 8

Linhope - 7 pupils, Year 7 and Year 8

In Key Stage 3 and 4 students are taught within the year group which matches their age, this includes the students in Oasis.