



### ***Brief Description***

Joy Lane Primary and Nursery School is a Mainstream Primary, which has a specifically designed 24 place Specialist Resourced Provision to support the learning of children who have a diagnosis of Autistic Spectrum Disorder as their primary need. Pupils have full access to the National Curriculum, which may be modified to meet individual need and programmes written to include the specific targets and details of any additional therapies/inputs from other agencies; the environment also affords space to ensure adequate work stations and personal space for each child. A strong emphasis is placed on good home/school liaison and the positive impact of the inclusion of children with special educational needs on the whole school community.

Our designation is for age appropriate learning ability and is not suitable for pupils with challenging behaviour or significant developmental delay.

### ***Admission Criteria***

Pupils must:

- Have a Statement of Special Educational needs or Education Health and Care Plan or be undergoing a formal assessment under the 1996 Education Act
- Have a diagnosis and primary need of ASD
- Be able to communicate basic needs and feelings
- Demonstrate that they would benefit from and respond to being in a highly structured, low stimulus environment where ASD strategies are used
- Be within the learning range of average ability

### ***Specialist Support Offered:***

- One day a week with a Speech and Language Therapist
- Staff experienced with supporting learning of ASD children
- Access to support from the Education Psychologist
- TEACCH approach
- Visual support
- Social Skills training
- Positive Behaviour Management system that is also used in the Mainstream School
- Access to Parent Support Group