

Children's frequently asked questions

Children with Special Educational Needs and / or Disability may wish to ask some of these questions:

Q: Who will help me?

A: If you need help a teacher or TA will support you with the bits you find tricky. Sometimes a friend or a partner might help. There are lots of adults at Hollymount School who can help you. We can help you in many different ways including help with your learning, friendships, managing emotions and your communication skills.

Q.: What should I do if I am worried about something?

A: Speak to your teacher or another adult in school. Speak to your parent or carer and tell them what you are worried about. Everyone worries at some point in their life and the school staff are here to reassure you.

Q: How will I know if I am doing okay?

A: Your teacher will talk to you about your targets and how to achieve them. You will have a special chart that will help you to understand your targets and how you can help yourself. You will have regular talks with your teacher about your progress and feedback on your work will be given by the adults working with you.

Q: How will I know how to improve my work?

A: When you complete your work, your teacher will give you clear instructions on what to do to make it better. These are called 'next steps.' Don't worry about making mistakes – we all learn from mistakes.

Q.: Will I be able to join clubs and go on school trips?

A: Yes. We have lots of clubs and school trips at Hollymount. We will make sure that trips are safe, and where possible, everyone can attend. If there is a problem that could cause a risk, your teachers will do everything they can to overcome this and find a solution.

Q: How will you help me get ready for Secondary school?

A: Hollymount School will work closely with the secondary schools to make sure you have a good transition. You will be able to visit the secondary schools on several occasions and key members of staff may come and visit you here at school. We can make transition books that contain key information if you need one.

Q: How will I know what is happening during the day?

A: Every morning your class teacher will go through the timetable of what is happening that day. Don't worry about remembering all the information, we have pictures displayed in the classroom so you will always know what is happening.

Q: How will you help support me in school if I am new?

A: Your last school will send us lots of information about you so we can get things right for you. The other children in school will help you settle in and show you what to do. You can come and visit us take photographs before you start.