



Next Steps Provision Welcome Pack



At Next Steps Provision our school day starts at **9am** and finishes at **3pm**.





Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Welcome Pack has been put together to outline the purpose of the Next Steps Provision and detail some of the ways in which we support primary age children whose behaviour puts them at risk of permanent exclusion.

We have set out the routines, expectations and curriculum your child will experience during their time at Next Steps as well as all of the key information you need to know.

It also introduces you to the adults that work at Next Steps, so you know who to approach should you have any queries or questions.

We look forward to meeting you and working together to help your child thrive.

Kind Regards

Mandy Pake

Next Steps Lead Teacher



Meet the Team

Next Steps Lead Teacher



Miss Pake

Behaviour Support Assistants



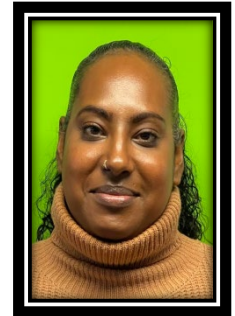
Mrs Armitage



Mr Bunbury-Milton



Miss Byrne



Miss Clarke



Mrs Danyi

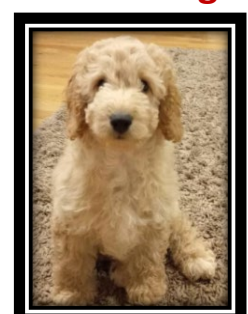


Mr Whiting

Admin Support Assistant Trainee Family Worker



School Dog





Next Steps Overview

Next Steps Provision is located on the site of **St Matthew's Primary School**. It was formed in 2017 and is funded collaboratively by the nine primary schools in the Central Area Partnership (CAP) of Luton. The CAP schools are:

- Bushmead Primary School
- Denbigh Primary School
- Maidenhall Primary School
- Norton Road Primary School
- Riverbank Primary School
- St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
- St Matthew's Primary School
- William Austin Infants School
- William Austin Juniors School

Next Steps supports children from CAP schools on a short term basis, who are experiencing significant social, emotional and mental health difficulties causing a barrier to learning and putting them at risk of exclusion.

When a CAP school has exhausted all internal support and interventions to enable a child to access the learning environment safely, they will then consider, in partnership with parents/carers, requesting support from the Next Steps team.

Next Steps support is accessed through a robust referral system where all referrals are considered on a case by case basis, by a panel of five professionals. Support is then allocated based on a child's level of need and the capacity available at Next Steps. All placements at Next Steps are provided on a part-time basis with children attending their mainstream school on the days that they do not attend Next Steps.

The overarching aim of Next Steps is to enable children to develop their ability to self-regulate their emotions and to develop their resilience, emotional literacy and communication skills. This will give children the skills they need to be successful in school and be able to face the challenges of day-to-day school life safely and with confidence.



Location

Next Steps Provision is located on the Site of **St Matthew's Primary School**:



Next Steps Provision
at St Matthew's Primary School
Wenlock Street
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Next Steps Provision is located in a purpose built building. There are two large classrooms called **Ocean Room** and **Sky Room** and one small learning room called **Forest Room**. Next Steps has a fitted kitchen in Sky Room, allowing children to take part in weekly Food Skills lessons. Next Steps also has a small sensory room and an outdoor patio and field area. There is also a staff office located in Next Steps.

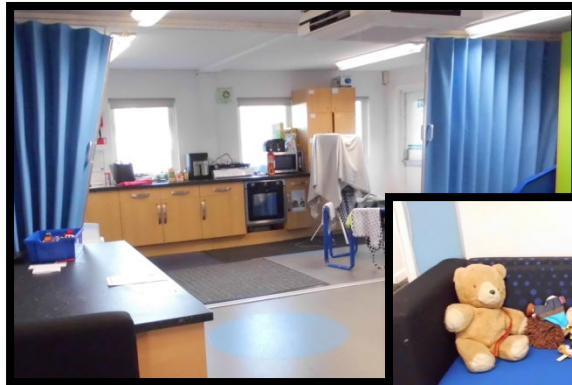
Ocean Room



Sensory Room



Sky Room



Forest Room



Patio





Curriculum Offer

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Core Subjects

Next Steps work closely with children's class teachers at their base school to deliver daily Reading, English and Maths lessons. In addition to this, Next Steps children will be provided with the following additional learning opportunities:

- Daily reading
- Reading for enjoyment
- Fine motor activities
- Handwriting lessons
- Education City Learning Resources linked to children's core English and Maths learning
- NumBots and/or TTRockstars

Foundation Subjects

Next Steps will provide children with the following curriculum provision across the academic year. This will vary depending on the days and term that children attend Next Steps. These could include:

- Food Skills (Linked to Design and Technology and Life Skills)
- Computing
- PE
- Design and Technology (Construction and Textiles)
- Art and Design
- PSHE
- Gardening (Linked to Science and Life Skills)

Evidence Based Interventions

Next Steps use the following evidence-based interventions as appropriate to meet individual children's needs:

- Zones of Regulation – a curriculum to support self-regulation
- Stormbreak – supporting children's mental health and wellbeing through physical movement
- Motional – Supporting children's Social, Emotional and Mental Health



Trips and Visitors

Children at Next Steps have the opportunity to take part in trips and workshops at Next Steps with external visitors throughout the year. These may include:

- Children's First Aid Workshop (At Next Steps, run by Active Luton)
- Hazard Alley Safety Centre (Located in Milton Keynes)
- Teaching Talons (Visiting Animals: At Next Steps)
- Woodside Animal Farm (Located in Luton)
- Theatre Visits (Various locations)
- Zoo (Whipsnade Zoo and Hertfordshire Zoo)
- Bikeability (At Next Steps)



Milo – School Dog



Milo is St Matthew's Primary School and Next Steps School Dog. He joined the team in December 2023 when he was just 13 weeks old.

Milo is a cockapoo. This breed does not shed much hair, which is good for people who have allergies. Cockapoos are also known to be a friendly and clever breed, which makes them perfect school dogs.

Milo has four dog handlers in school, two at St Matthew's Primary School and two at Next Steps Provision. He is always kept on his lead and stays with one of his handlers at all times. At Next Steps, Miss Pake and Mr Whiting are Milo's dog handlers. All of Milo's dog handlers are receiving training from The Dog Mentor organisation, who are very experienced in working with school dogs and their handlers.

Milo comes into school for two days a week, and will spend 2 half days in Next Steps each week. We are aware that not everybody likes dogs and some people feel scared of dogs. Milo will only spend time with children and adults who want to spend time with him.

If you have questions or concerns about Milo, please speak to Miss Pake.