



Fairlight Glen Independent Special School – Maths Statement

Mathematics at Fairlight Glen is a vital part of our personalised, nurturing curriculum. Our maths curriculum is designed to rebuild confidence, reduce anxiety, and help pupils develop practical numeracy skills that support everyday life, further learning and adulthood. This reflects the school's ethos of Trust, Respect, Learn, Grow.

Our Vision for Maths

Our aim is for every pupil to develop the mathematical understanding, problem-solving ability and confidence required to participate fully in society. Maths is one of our core curriculum pillars, supporting independence, wellbeing and future success.

A Personalised and SEMH-Aware Maths Curriculum

Mathematics is highly personalised. Staff understand pupils' SEMH needs extremely well and design carefully planned, highly personalised learning that closes gaps and enables progress. Lessons include scaffolded tasks, hands-on learning, dyscalculia-aware strategies, and a calm, safe learning environment.

Curriculum Content

Our curriculum features number skills, money management, time, measure, shape, space, data handling, and problem-solving in everyday contexts. These areas support Independent School Standards (ISS) expectations for broad mathematical education.

Alignment with NCFE Functional Skills Maths

We prepare pupils for NCFE Functional Skills Maths (Entry Level–Level 2). Pupils develop:

- Number & Calculation
- Measures, Shape & Space
- Data handling
- Functional, real-world problem solving

Supporting SEMH Through Maths

Maths is taught through trauma-informed, SEMH-sensitive practice. Staff provide predictable routines, gentle challenge and confidence-building strategies.

Cross-Curricular Numeracy

Pupils use maths in music, PE, outdoor learning, cooking and other enrichment activities.

Assessment and Progression

Assessment is continuous and responsive. Pupils work towards Functional Skills Maths and personalised numeracy goals.

Inclusion and Equality

Our maths curriculum is accessible to learners with ASD, ADHD, SEMH needs and communication differences.



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Conclusion

Maths at Fairlight Glen empowers pupils to navigate daily life, develop confidence and prepare for future opportunities.