

Clay Hill School

Clay Hill School is an independent, specialist day school providing education for up to 30 young people aged 5 to 19 years with autistic spectrum disorders (ASD), attachment disorder and associated social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) conditions. Residential care can be provided at our adjacent residential home for up to 14 young people either on a weekly, termly or 52 week basis. We provide a warm, welcoming, relaxed, yet structured environment, which encourages children and young people to develop social, educational and practical skills to enjoy and achieve.

Clay Hill School is near Lyndhurst, Hampshire in the heart of the New Forest. It is well situated for easy access across the south of the country, close to the M27 and M3, approximately two hours drive and one and a half hours by train from London and just five minutes from Brockenhurst train station.

Services offered

- An individual education and care plan
- Appropriate peer group and curriculum
- TEACCH system if required
- A consistent and structured approach
- A comprehensive and intensive approach to the communication and language needs of the young people
- Social and living skills curriculum
- High staff to young person ratio in both education and residential settings
- 52 week, 38 week, weekly and daily provision as required
- Intensive therapeutic programmes and communication strategies
- A rural location in the heart of the New Forest providing a safe environment in which to learn, be happy and grow



Admissions criteria

- A diagnosis of autistic spectrum conditions, or disorders, or attachment disorder, SEMH or evidence of behaviours which are in accordance with such a diagnosis
- Learning difficulties or disabilities within the mild to moderate range
- Adequate physical ability to participate in a physically demanding programme of learning

Clay Hill School can meet the needs of children with autism, attachment disorder and associated SEMH. A vital element of the admission process is to ensure that the needs of the child referred can be met and that their admission does not have a detrimental effect on the wellbeing and safety of others.

“ Good in all areas inspected including pupils' achievement, pupils' behaviour, quality of teaching, health and safety and leadership and management. ”

Ofsted November 2017



100% of young people receive a bespoke programme of learning

100% of young people who attended their review meeting contributed to their own target setting

100% of pupils access regular key worker sessions

Holistic approach

- Independent children and adolescent psychodynamic psychotherapist
- Independent consultant psychiatrist
- Independent educational psychologist
- Occupational therapist
- Specialist speech and language therapist
- Therapeutic pastoral team



Safe and supportive community living

Clay Hill School is comprised of two residential provisions at Kiln House and Forest View, which all accommodate small groups of young people in similar peer and social groups. Each residential provision provides a welcoming, homely environment and each young person is encouraged to decorate their rooms to their own taste and preferences, allowing them to create a more personal living environment.

Each young person at Clay Hill School has a nominated key person in both the education and care settings to oversee their day to day needs and promote a positive experience. This further promotes our inclusive approach towards education and care.

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