

LEARNING SUPPORT CENTRE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The Learning Support Centre (LSC) at Chestnut Grove Academy is part of the pastoral care offered by the school. It takes a solution-focussed approach to supporting pupils who are experiencing challenges that may otherwise impact on their learning. The LSC is made up of 2 learning mentors, a Pastoral Support Lead and headed by an Associate Assistant Headteacher.

The LSC aims to support teachers and other staff in proactively establishing interventions to help students develop their behaviour for learning, emotional wellbeing and other life skills. Some of the activities the LSC is involved with includes Breakfast Clubs (to encourage students to be in school early and prepared for the school day), supporting with detentions, referrals to Reflection Room and liaising with external agencies involved with each young person it works with.

The LSC runs the Pastoral Support Programme (PSP) for students who are at risk of permanent exclusion. It does this by actively monitoring student behaviour, arranging review meetings with parents/ carers and other agencies involved, maintaining a link with the PRU's inclusion advisor. The LSC also works closely with the SEND department to arrange for assessments and learning support. The LSC is proud to have prevented many permanent exclusions through its intervention.

The LSC also supports students who have been managed moved to the school and continues to maintain contact with those managed moved to other educational settings.

