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Dear Parents/Carers,

At Woodlands School we have an established **Speech and Language Enhanced Provision**. This provision is a vital part of our Aspirations Faculty. The provision provides additional support and guidance to access the curriculum and to improve pupil's speech, language and communication skills.

Woodlands Enhanced Provision is funded by Essex County Council and includes direct, regular input from a qualified speech and language therapist, classroom support, curriculum intervention, social skills development and widespread pastoral support.

All pupils within **Woodlands Enhanced Provision** are included in mainstream classes and are encouraged to participate in all aspects of school life. Their academic achievements are monitored closely by the Enhanced Provision Lead, who has regular communication with parents/carers, staff and pupils. This creates consistency and clarity when working to meet pupils' needs. Teaching staff across the school use evidence-based strategies to support with speech and language development in each subject area.

This provision is only for pupils with an **Education, Health and Care Plan which identifies speech and language as a primary need**. Admission to the Enhanced Provision is coordinated by Essex County Council, all requests for places must be made via SEND Operations.

Should you require more information please do not hesitate to contact me via email on DOc@woodlandsschool.essex.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D O'Connor
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