# Quality First Training





### **Session Aims:**

 Understanding what Quality First is?

 Development of consistency in Quality First Practice throughout the setting





## What is Quality First Teaching?

'High quality teaching, differentiated for individual pupils'

Code of Practice, Chapter 6.37



# SEND Code of Practice, 2014:

Code of Practice, 2014, Chapter 6.9

All schools ... **must** make reasonable adjustments,... to prevent them (SEN Pupils) being put at a substantial disadvantage.





## Code of Practice – Four categories of need







- Communication and Interaction
- Cognition and Learning
- Social, mental or emotional health
- Sensory and / or physical needs

Each category of need can be supported by Quality First Approaches

## **Quality First: The Support Triangle**

EHCP's Specialist

**High Needs Funding** 

**SEN Support** 

**Targeted Support** 

**Enhanced Quality First** 

Quality First – Universal Offer



# Quality First Teaching:



It takes the diverse needs of learners into account



It builds on pupils' prior learning



It involves a range of techniques and strategies (whole class, structured group work, guided learning, individual work)



Planning, delivery of sessions and assessment of pupils helps embed learning





## Quality First Know your pupils

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Pupil characteristics...

Strengths Interests

Barriers to learning (internal, category of need)

Pupil background Pupil Starting Points **Develop Vision** 

Set ambitious outcomes

Where is their learning journey taking them to?

What external barriers to learning can you remove?

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# Developing school's Quality First Offer

Cognition and Learning Needs

- The Classroom Environment
- Developing Consistency using a QF Checklist
- Visual Prompts and Enable Tables

Communication and Interaction Learners:

Approaches to Listening

#### **SEMH Needs:**

 Developing Consistency: Class Rules, Transitions and Social Stories

Physical and Sensory Needs

Making Reasonable Adjustments





The Learning Environment Discussion Time

What is the Learning Environment?

If you had a magic wand, what would your classroom environment be like?





Who sets the weather in class?



# Non-Negotiables

Be ready

Be respectful

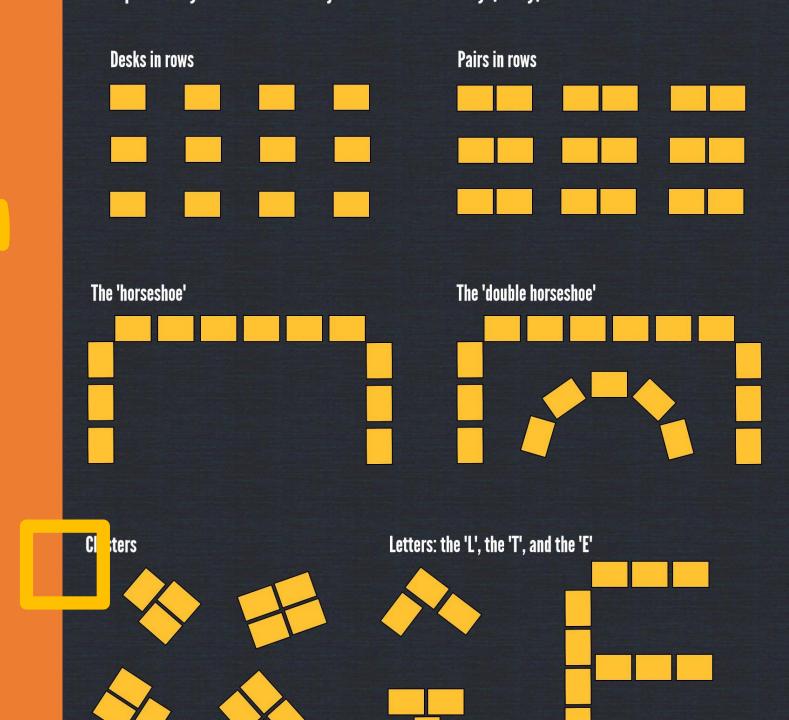
Be kind





# Seating

One of the strongest tools you have in your toolbox to combat disruption





# Creating a safe space

Do you have somewhere pupils can move to within class to calm down?

Do you have a graduated approach in place?







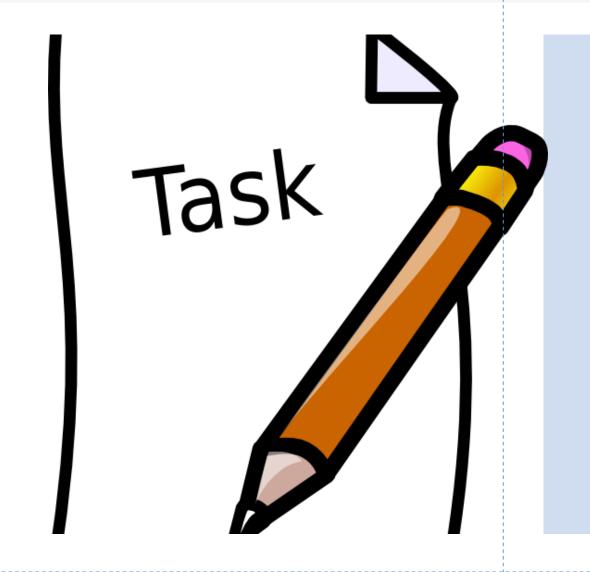




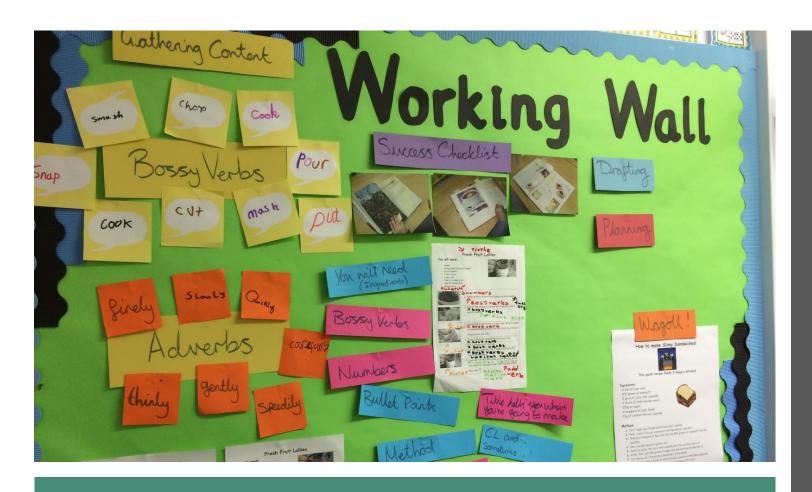


# Visual Prompts

How they support cognition and learning





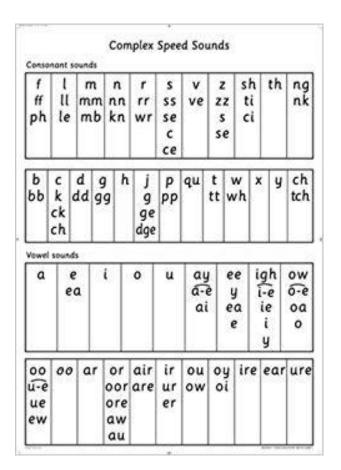


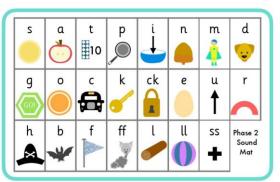
Use of Working Walls

What displays will help learners in your classroom?

Be mindful of sensory overload









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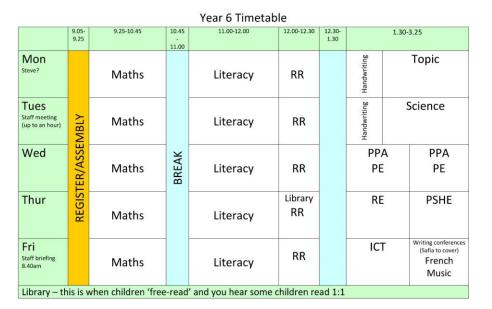
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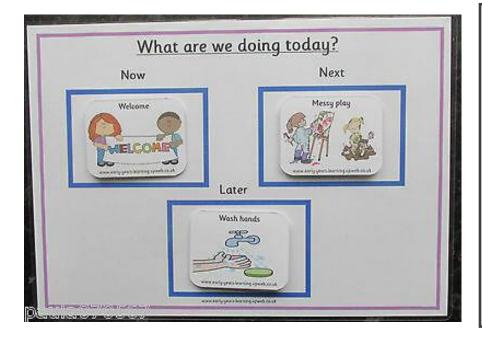
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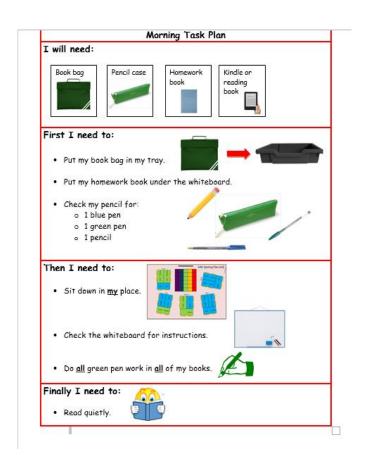


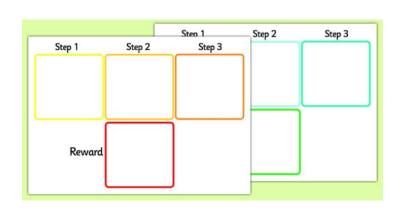


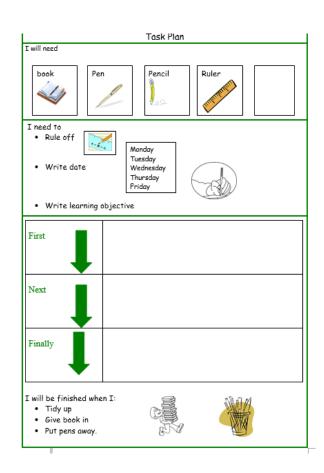
Visuals for Routines

Reduce anxiety, raise feelings of safety and security









# Visuals for Organisation and Task Planning:

Aid memory and support independence

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Helpdesk or Enable Table



# Pupil Engagement

Use	Use visuals to support pupil engagement
Research	Research video clips linked to focus texts then introduce the text
Use	Use a 'hook' such as a striking visual to begin class discussions
Offer	Offer opportunities to talk with shoulder partners so pupils engage with learning
White	White Rose – use of 'hook' activities to discuss problems involving reasoning
Personalise	Personalise reasoning problems using names of pupils in class



## **Memory Support**

 Give overlearning opportunities daily (e.g. recall of phonics/key words and number bonds through 5 minutes, facts from times tables 1:1 daily)



Revisit prior learning



This/Last week	Last month	Last term
Find the GCF		Write
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Use mnemonics

#### Knowledge Organisers

What are knowledge organisers?

They are a visual resource to directly teach recall of key information:

Vocabulary Key facts

THEY ARE NOT A VISUAL PROMPT

#### Wells Hall Primary School - Geography



#### Topic: The United Kingdom

Phase: KS1

Diagrams

Strand: Locational Knowledge / Human and Physical Geography

#### What should I already know?

- · The country I live in is called England.
- I live in Great Cornard, which is a village in England.

#### What will I know by the end of the unit?

- · Great Cornard is a village in England.
- · England is a country.
- There are four countries in the United Kingdom (UK):
  - England
  - Scotland
  - Wales
  - Northern Ireland
- Each of these countries has a capital city, flag and national flower:

Country	Capital City	Flag	National Flower
England	London	+	rose
Scotland	Edinburgh	×	thistle
Wales	Cardiff		daffodil
Northern Ireland	Belfast	> <	shamrock

- The UK, is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- The UK includes the island of Great Britain, Northern Ireland and many smaller islands
- Great Britain is an island—it is surrounded by seas:
  - Irish Sea
  - North Sea
  - English Channel
- The Republic of Ireland is <u>not</u> a country of the United Kingdom.





Vocabulary					
aerial view	a view from above				
capital city	the city where the government sits. London is the capital city of England and the UK.				
city	a large town. London is a city.				
compass point	any of the main points of a compass: north, south, east and west				
country	an area of land that is controlled by its own government.				
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flag	a piece of cloth which can be attached to a pole and which is used as symbol of a particular country				
human geography	features of land that have been impacted by human activity				
island	a piece of land that is completely surrounded by water				
Great Britain	An island that is made up of England, Scotland and Wales.				
London	London is the capital city of England and the UK.				
physical geography	natural features of land				
sea	a large area of salty water that is part of an ocean				
surrounded	to be present all around				
United Kingdom	The UK, is officially known as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. It includes England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.				
village	a small group of houses, perhaps with a few shops, that are often in the countryside. Great Cornard is a village.				

#### Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

- Find the four countries of the United Kingdom using map skills
- Compare the human and physical geographical features of the four countries saying how they are similar and different.
- Use Google Earth to start at school and zoom out. What do you notice?
- Observe aerial view photographs and know what they show
- Use the compass points to describe the countries of the United Kingdom in relation to each other.



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# How to use them to aid recall:

#### **Vocabulary:**

Games to play with your friend at the start of every session:

- Match the definition to the word
- Match the word to the definition
- Tell me the definition of....



# Beginning and End of topic quiz: Progress Evidence

Wells Hall Primary School - Geography						
Topic: The United Kingdom		Phase: KS1	1 Strand: Locational Knowledge / Human and Physical Geogra			
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Question 1: Here is a map of the UK. Label the countries with their names; England, Scotland Northern Ireland and Wales.	Start of unit:	End of unit:	Question 4: Which <b>one</b> word belongs in the gaps:  The English Channel, the Irish and the North all surround the United	Start of unit:	End of unit:	
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			Sea			
			Country			
			Village			
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Question 2: Tick the <b>three</b> countries that	Start of	End of unit:	Scotland Cardiff			
are in Great Britain.	unit:					
England Scotland						
Wales						
Northern Ireland			Northern Belfast			
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Question 3: Which of these is <b>not</b> a capital city?	Start of unit:	End of unit:				
Sudbury						
London			Wales London			
Belfast						

Cardiff

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Clearly labelled resources

Keep work surfaces clutter free

Use visuals on labels to ensure independent access for all pupils



# Cognition and Learning: Summary of The Basics



Know pupil's starting points – assess what you need to know



Model Tasks



Use visual prompts to support learning



Use concrete materials (teach their use first)



Differentiate by resource, support, outcome



Use memory strategies

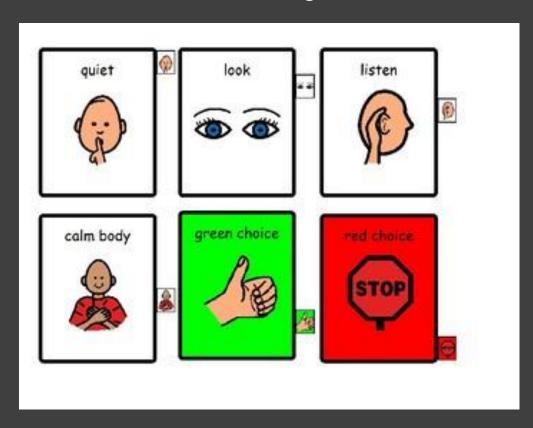


Offer alternative forms of recording (mind maps, labelling, cloze procedure, use of laptop/technology)



# Communication and Interaction: Listening Skills

Listen, look, nod your head, think about what's being said



- Teach and Display Rules of Good Listening
  - Look at the person who is speaking
  - Be still
  - Think about what they are saying
  - Wait till the person has finished speaking
  - Ask and answer questions
- Use visuals
- Practise often
- Reward good listening





Making yourself heard:

Use of non-verbal cues – hand up, clapping, rhymes, countdown (fingers)

Purposeful positioning of self (i.e. next to pupil not complying)

Set task time targets – ten minutes to complete... (chunks within learning session)

Be very clear with instructions and language – lack of clarity gives opportunity for pushing boundaries

Avoid negatives – Don't run - use positives - WALK

Actively engage pupils – use concrete and visual materials, make sure everyone has their own

Always be prepared for every lesson

Manage transitions with countdowns including transitions to quiet times





Developing Listening Skills in Lessons:

Use PE sessions – introduce games which require movement to musical stimulus, use a drum to develop rhythmic responses in Early Years, or to introduce more complex movements in KS1

Use music/singing sessions

Fruit salad class game

Thumbs up, thumbs down true/false game – make them learning related (e.g. Milk is purple, Spiders have eight legs, A cube is a 2D shape, An octogen has six sides...)

Tell it – Pick out an envelope from a selection with Traditional Tales Titles on, go around the class, each child giving the next part of the story

Read a known passage, put a tick on your whiteboard every time you hear a verb

Listen for coins dropping into the pot – count on in your head



## Reducing Noise Levels

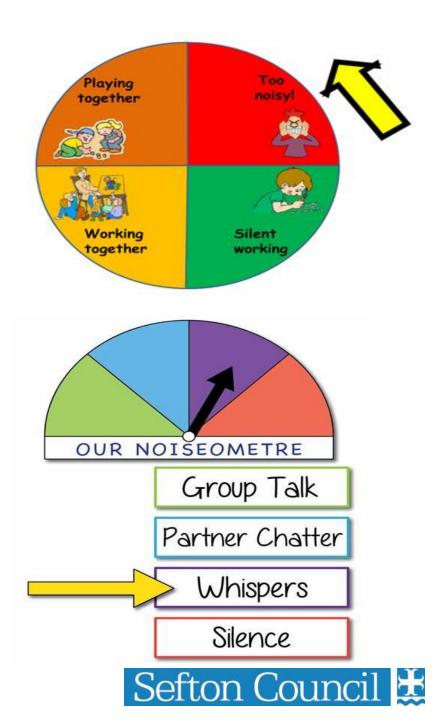
Is noise 'low level disruption'?

Use visuals

Practise working at different talk levels

**Praise** 

Reward



# Communication and Interaction

The Basics:



Keep instructions clear and concise



Give instructions one at a time, allow processing time



Tell them and show them what you want them to do (not what you don't want e.g. don't run)



Use the pupil's name to gain attention



Make sure the pupil is looking at you/facing towards you



# Non-Negotiables: Classroom Management

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# The Big Five

Rules: Establish and teach rules

Routines: Build structure and establish routine within the classroom

Praise: Reinforce positive behavior using praise and other means

Misbehavior: Address misbehavior

Engagement: Foster and maintain student engagement



Class Rules and Class
Charters

Keep rules clear and simple

All classes need to display and refer to rules

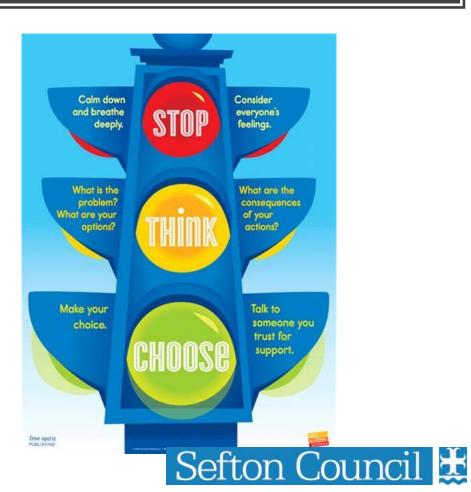


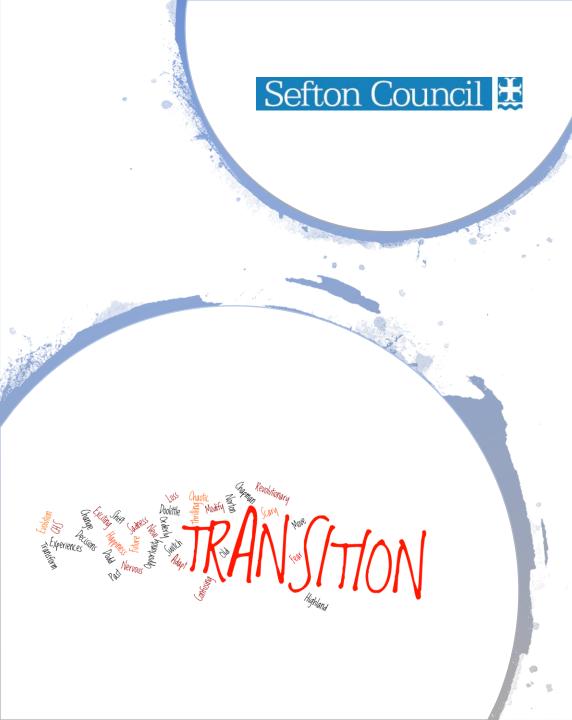




# Behaviour Prompts







#### **Transitions**

- Daily:
- From home into school who sets the weather for the day?
- From whole class learning to individual, group or paired work
- From learning session to snack session or play session
- From outdoors to indoors
- From classroom to hall
- From active task to quiet task
- From class to after school

## Strategies to support ASD pupils

- Use visual timetable to reduce anxiety and stress
- Use a workstation
- Use a reward system now/next ASD pupils respond to what is in it for them?
- Reward using individual interests (e.g. 10 minutes reading history book/train book)
- Transitions can be triggers and can lead to sensory overload – as can PE, preempt these difficulties – ask another adult to walk with the child when the corridor is quiet, give time out in PE sessions
- Be very precise with instructions



### **ASD** Pupils

Use of Workstations or Structured Teaching approaches



## Social Stories – use to teach the behaviours you want to embed





My friends are happy when I am a good listener.



Sometimes I forget to be a good listener and don't pay attention.



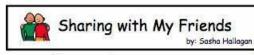
Being a good listener means looking like I am listening. I sit facing towards my friend. I look at his face. I don't look all around.



I nod my head while they are talking and say things like "okay" or "yeah." I ask questions about what they were talking about.



If I have good listening behavior, people will like talking to me more.







I have a lot of friends at school. We do lots of things together.



When I am with my friends, I need to share







I can give them a turn on the computer, let them play with my toys, or give them a turn on the swing.



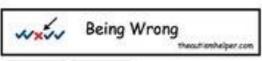


I say, "Here you go, your turn." This makes my friends feel happy.





When my friends are happy, I am happy too. We have can keep playing together.







Sometimes at school, I get a wrong answer.





When I get a wrong answer, I feel mad and frustrated.







I want to tear up my paper or stop working. But it's okay to get a wrong answer. Everyone gets a wrong answer sometimes.





I can say "bummer" or "oh well," Maybe I will get a right answer next time. It's no big deal.





I keep working and soon I will get a right answer and feel happy.





## Strategies to support ADHD Pupils

- Teach class rules, reinforce and revisit these regularly
- Establish a clear daily classroom routine
- Provide structure through timetables and planners
- Be consistent, firm and fair
- Use rewards as positive reinforcements
- Allow time-out to de-stress/breathe
- Countdown to transitions
- Reduce environmental distractions
- Encourage movement at break times



## Social, Emotional and Mental Health



Clearly display rules



Refer to these often



All staff to consistently apply the agreed rules and boundaries



Always be prepared for a session with resources and materials ready and organised



Use task planners and visual prompts



Provide access to quiet zone/work station



Remove environmental distractions



# Sensory and Physical Needs

#### **Hearing Impairment:**

Ensure the pupil is facing you when you speak

Make sure you have the pupil's attention before speaking

Do not have your back to a window when speaking

Use visual materials to reinforce speech

#### **Visual Impairment:**

Provide multi-sensory activities to provide feedback for all the senses

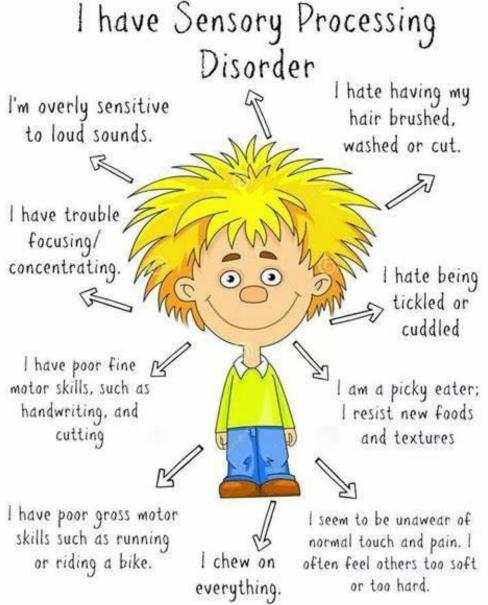
Make sure the pupil is seated where they can easily see classroom prompts (Smartboard, you)

Use appropriate font size

Be aware of glare on surfaces in class



## Sensory Needs





## SEN SUPPORT PLANS AND QUALITY FIRST





### Quality First...

Quality First Approaches to be used by the teacher and support staff to help the pupil overcome potential barriers to access curriculum as independently as possible • Write down five Quality
First strategies for a specific SEN pupil in your class.





### Dear Teacher...





Take a moment to talk with your friend about changes you will make





Thank you for listening!

