



MINSTER PROVISION

The Minster Provision is a partnership between Applefields School, Askham Bryan College and the City of York Council. It is a P19 provision but, in exceptional circumstances, younger age groups are also considered. The provision caters for young people whose complex needs make their after-school placement very difficult or at times impossible.

The Minster Provision aims to bridge the gap between school and adulthood. We believe that our very complex students are capable of successfully integrating into society and that is the focus of our work and curriculum. We have built good relationships with a number of community providers and have already proved that integration into society is absolutely possible regardless of level of ability.

This is a three-year curriculum offer. During the first year, whilst we are getting to know our students and learning about their strengths and interests, our students are introduced to some of the community activities but they spend the rest of the week onsite. They explore the wonderful campus, accessing places like the Wildlife Park, the tropical room, the library, the canteen and the Hive Cafe; not to mention their visits to the cows and pigs and other farm animals.

During the second year, they access every activity that is out there and suitable for them.

The third year is a transition year, during which we work with Adult SocialCare and our students' personal assistants to hand over our knowledge to them, in order to ensure the students are not only accessing the community activities physically but they are also active participants. So, by the time they leave us, they have a programme to follow and a foundation to build on and develop.

Our curriculum offer includes activities such as: IMuse, Creative Arts, Rebound Therapy, Trampolining in Energi Trampoline Park, Swimming, Gym, Pottery, DanceAbility, Hydrotherapy, Multisensory stories, Parachute Games, Accessible Cycling, Specialist Books, Toolbox Drama, Cognition, Outdoor Games, Movers and Shakers, Library/Computer access, Musical Theatre, Baking and Massage.

Our students, when appropriate, also access work experience, working in the Animal Park with Askham Bryan College staff, working in the tropical room, take part in dog walking, and horticulture included in an Askham Bryan foundation learning class.

Communication is at the heart of everything we do and our students have made outstanding progress in their communication development. We work in close partnership with the community SaLT Team, Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy teams and Barnsley Accessive Technology Team. Development of life skills is paramount and consequently our students are consistently supported to do everything they are capable of independently.

The Minster Provision is about communication, independence and community involvement, all which are essential for our very complex students to live in society meaningfully. The Minster Provision thrives to support their students' successful transition into the rest of their lives.

FIND OUT MORE

If you would like to learn more about what we do, discuss whether the provision would be the right next step for your child after completing their secondary education, or you would like to arrange a site visit for an informal discussion, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us. Here's our contact details:

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