

Maintained Special School Commissioned by Liverpool City Council to Support pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

Sandfield Park School



- Sandfield Park is a school made up of three separate provisions. Sandfield, a maintained, Secondary Special School. The Alder Centre for Education (ACE), a Local Authority service and The Hospital School at Alder Hey, incorporating The Dewi-Jones Unit.
- Sandfield has been specially commissioned by Liverpool City Council, for girls and boys with a variety of needs from Y7 to Y14, all these will include learning needs, some severe learning needs (SLD), as well as other needs such as physical difficulties (PD), or pupils with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD). As well as these needs, pupils may also have a variety of medical needs.
- ACE supports pupils from mainstream schools with medical needs and mental health needs. They remain on the roll of the mainstream school, with a view to them returning to that school. Some pupils will remain at ACE and take exams if this is viewed as the best provision for them at the time.
- Sandfield Park also provides teaching and support staff to work at Alder Hey Childrens Hospital, to provide an education for pupils / patients from any part of the country who are in the hospital for a significant period of time. The Dewi-Jones is a residential NHS unit where education staff work closely with NHS colleagues to provide a tier 4 provision for pupils with mental health needs.

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SEN	Wide variety of Special Needs as outlined above
National curriculum year groups	Sandfield - Year 7 to Year 14 ACE – Y7 to Y11 ACE – Y1 to Y11 Home Tuition Hospital School – Y7 to Y11
Number of places in the special school (Sandfield)	78

Referrals for placements are made by	Liverpool City Council's Special Educational Needs (SEN) Assessment and Pupil Support Service (Sandfield) Mainstream School and EHAT process (ACE)
Criteria	Sandfield - Pupils must have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
Contact	The Casework Officer in SEN Assessment and Pupil Support service

Details of Sandfield Park School

Venue	<p>Sandfield Park works with pupils on three main sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandfield School • Alder Centre for Education (ACE) <p>(Both based at Sandfield Park)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hospital School at Alder Hey, with Dewi-Jones presently based in Crosby
Teacher Specialism	<p>Staff in different areas of the School have received training in the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative Augmentative Communication (AAC) • Medical training from Alder Hey Hospital • Manual handling • Working with pupils with high anxiety / mental health needs. • Supported Internships – Helping Sandfield pupils gain paid employment
Resources and Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandy Park Café – The School runs a café in the community supporting pupils with workplace experience to increase opportunities to gain paid employment • Trampoline for rebound therapy • Large mixed use play area. • Immersion room • School nurse on site • Physiotherapist on site • Access to Speech and Language Therapist, Occupational Therapist and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) • AAC intervention room

Aims of Sandfield Park School

- To provide a happy, safe, secure and stimulating environment in which pupils can develop their potential physically, academically, spiritually, socially and emotionally.
- To develop confident and caring young people who can take their place in society as independently as possible.

- To deliver a broad balanced and relevant curriculum with a focus on employability that can cater as far as possible for individual needs and support pupils in achieving success after they have left the school.
- To work closely with parents and a range of outside agencies to provide support for pupils and help provide them with the widest possible range of experiences.

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Number of pupils on roll	78 (<i>Sandfield</i>); 80 – <i>Part-time (ACE)</i>