

1	What kind of special educational needs are provided for at Landgate School?	Landgate School is a Local Authority maintained special school for learners aged 4 – 19 years with a diagnosis of Autism, communication and interaction difficulties, and associated learning difficulties. All the learners at Landgate School have a Statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education Health Care Plan.
2	How does Landgate School identify and assess my child's special educational needs?	Learners at Landgate have their special educational need identified prior to entry to school. Learner's special educational needs are assessed through the Annual Review process, with involvement from identified professionals, i.e., Teachers / Occupational Therapists / Speech and Language Therapists / Educational Physiologists / Social Care professionals. Learner progress is continually assessed through our everyday teaching and learning.
3	How is the decision made about what type and how much support my child will receive?	All learners are assessed on entry to Landgate using a range of assessments to determine the type and level of support required. We use regular assessment to throughout the year so that we have a good understanding of the needs of each individual child, which then allows us to target support according to your child's needs.
4	How will Landgate School staff support my child/young person?	All learners at Landgate are placed in small classes and appropriately supported to access the curriculum dependent upon their individual needs, we recognise the importance of reviewing this support regularly.
5	How will the curriculum offered at Landgate School be matched to my child's needs?	Learners at Landgate access the following curriculum at an appropriate level to meet their needs; Reception Year - Early Years Foundation Stage Profile Key Stage 1 – 4 – National Curriculum Key Stage 4 – 5 – externally accredited courses. Further information can be found on our school website.
6	How will both you and I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?	At Landgate we believe that families play a vital role in their child's learning. We actively encourage parent partnerships, including; Home / School correspondence through learner diaries, letters, Teacher to Parent texts, website information, Annual Reports to parents, Parent Consultation evenings, regular Parental Engagement sessions. Parents are welcome to arrange to meet with us at any time to discuss their child's

		learning and progress.
7	What support will there be at Landgate School for my child's overall wellbeing?	At Landgate we recognise and celebrate the individuality of all our learners and use a holist approach to supporting a child's learning and progress. We believe that learners should be supported to be resilient, confident young people with a 'can do' attitude. Pastoral Managers play a key role in supporting our learners and liaising with families.
8	What specialist services and expertise are available at, or accessed by Landgate School?	Learners at Landgate have access to specialist services and expertise according to their individual needs, such as; SaLT / OT / Physio therapy. Specialist services work collaboratively with Landgate staff to overcome identified barriers.
9	What training do the staff supporting children have, or are having?	All staff at Landgate access a comprehensive professional development programme, ongoing throughout the year, to meet the diverse needs of our learners. Training may include areas such as; Effective Classroom Support, Basic First Aid, Sensory Support or Literacy Across the Curriculum. A highly focused staff training programme operates each year, focusing on the needs of our learners.
10	How will my child be included in activities outside the classroom, including school trips?	At Landgate all learners access a range of educational visits and enrichment activities outside of the classroom, as appropriate to their age and stage of development. This may include visits to; churches, parks, shops, museums etc. as well as enrichment activities such as Duke of Edinburgh, sporting activities or collaborative projects with partner schools.
11	How accessible is the environment at Landgate School?	Landgate school is an accessible, single storey school, built across two buildings with a range of accessible facilities including; accessible classrooms, hygiene suites and parking. Landgate offers a 'total communication' environment to learners, enabling accessible learning environments to meet the needs of all of our learners.
12	How will the school prepare and support my child to join Landgate School or transfer to a new school?	Landgate provides flexible transition support to learners in preparation for their transfer, this includes; non-prejudicial visits to school by parents, learner visits, home and / or current school visits by key staff, information sharing with current or new provision. Landgate recognise the importance of high quality transition to support learner well-being and allocate key staff to support transition processes. All families receive a comprehensive transition pack prior to entry to school and are encouraged to liaise with Pastoral Managers with regard to any issues, concerns they may have.

13	How are Landgate School's resources allocated and matched to the needs of the children?	All learners at Landgate have access to appropriate resources dependent on their individual needs, which may be identified through teacher, SaLT, OT assessments. Learners who are eligible for Pupil Premium are allocated additional funding, which is used to address any identified barriers to learning.
14	How are parents involved at Landgate School? How can I be involved?	Parents at Landgate are actively encouraged to take part in all aspects of school life, including; Parental Engagements sessions, Parent Group meetings, PTA and Governor roles. Parents are always welcome to attend Parents evenings, performances, charity fund-raising events and Annual Reviews. At Landgate we promote a highly personal approach to parental engagement. We are here for you and will always work with you to provide the very best for your child.
15	Who can I contact for further information?	Further information about the school can be obtained from; Mrs Karen Higham, Business Support Manager and PA to the Head of School, Landgate School, Landgate Lane, Bryn, Ashton-in-Makerfield, WN4 0EP  Tel. no. - 01942 776688 Email – <a href="mailto:Landgate@wigan.gov.uk">Landgate@wigan.gov.uk</a> Website – <a href="http://landgateschool.co.uk">http://landgateschool.co.uk</a>