



# St Piers Strategy

2024 to 2028





St Piers is an innovative and creative environment for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. These can include epilepsy, autism, and severe learning difficulties. We believe nothing should stand in the way of a full education, personal development or physical and emotional wellbeing.





# Physical, mental and emotional health

Pupils at St Piers School and students at St Piers College have access to a fantastic range of facilities that nurture physical, emotional and mental health, personal development and essential life skills.

In addition to new classroom technologies and innovative learning environments, including enhanced autism provision and sensory immersion, they can enjoy state-of-the-art facilities for physical fitness, outdoor activities, art, drama and media, cookery and business skills.

On our farm and in our horticulture centre, they can learn how to handle, clean, feed and care for animals, sow seeds, grow flowers, discover how food is grown, and much more.

## Vision



For students to exceed expectations, thrive academically and socially, and transition into confident, included members of their communities, achieving more than anyone ever imagined.

## Purpose

To create an environment of growth, where pupils and students can thrive and become a valued part of their community.

## Where we'll focus



### Infant School

I feel safe, understood and emotionally supported and ready to start my learning journey.



### School

I feel confident and resilient and am thriving academically, socially, and emotionally.



### College

I believe in myself and feel ready for independence and being an active part of my community.

## What we'll deliver

Prioritising emotional wellbeing and social development for children with SEND. Building self-awareness, emotional regulation, resilience, and trust, fostering a safe, supportive learning environment.

Empowering pupils to reach their full potential through an immersive, experiential approach focusing on functional skills, life skills, emotional well-being, and independence. Supporting academic growth, resilience, and prepares students for success.

Inspiring students to excel by fostering self-confidence, inclusion, and independence. Focusing on employment, independent living, and community inclusion, preparing students to succeed and become active members of their communities.

Providing children and young people with SEND a consistent, nurturing residential environment that promotes stability, independence, and personal growth, empowering students to build life skills, confidence, and meaningful relationships.

## How we'll work

Our dedicated education, residential, therapy, care, and clinical teams work collaboratively to provide personalised, consistent support. Together, they nurture emotional wellbeing, build confidence, and develop independence.

Provide outstanding education and care at St Piers, while collaborating with Local Authorities, NASS and NATSPEC schools to strengthen and drive the national SEND agenda and develop a fully inclusive vision across schools and colleges.

As national leader in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) education and care, enabling.

# The St Piers Way

## Education

### Infants

#### Ofsted Judgement: N/A

The New Infants provision will not be inspected until 2027.

### Primary, Secondary and Sixth form

#### Ofsted Judgement: Good

The whole school was inspected in March 2023. We will audit outcomes as part of our ICR internal audit to achieve Outstanding in specific inspection areas.

### College

#### Ofsted Judgement: Outstanding

The College was inspected in November 23 and January 24. The second inspection was required as St Piers was judged to be moving through the grading barrier from GOOD to OUTSTANDING.

## Health/Care/Support

### Admissions and Placements

Working with local authorities across UK, the team assess 300 referrals each year and the pipeline is healthy through 2025-2027. The admissions team and SENCO manager work closely to ensure EHCPs are secure. We are determined for the SEND reform to have minimum impact on our provision.

### Health | Part of St Piers since April 2025

St Piers New Health offer is currently being enhanced to produce an offer at the highest level - it will be part of our St Piers Provision in April 25. Health is registered and inspected by CQC regulatory Care Quality Commission and has recently been re-registered to align with St Piers.

### Therapy | Good with Outstanding Features Oct 24

Our Head of Therapy leads our new St Piers Therapy structure which sets out 4 Teams all with a Senior Manager coordinating each team: Physiology, Speech and Language, Occupational therapy and Psychology.

## Residential

### Children's Provision | Ofsted Judgement: Outstanding

Led by our Head of Residential and her deputy, our children's provision has 3 houses which are all excellent and should be judged by OFSTED.

### Adult's Provision | Care Quality Commission Judgement: Good

Led by our Head of Residential and her deputy, our adult's provision has moved from 13 to 12 houses to model our excellent practice in the children's provision. The houses are grouped into 3 hubs, all consisting of a Senior House Manager who has oversight of the three houses within their hub, a house manager and a care coordinator.

### Safeguarding | Outstanding in all Inspections

Safeguarding is led by our Head and Lead DSL. We are working on a joint project with all departments to secure a "One System" recording system this will be in action in September 25 and enable us to access data at the click of a button. Monitoring patterns and trends much more efficiently.

# Pathway to outstanding



Foundations for the Future

# Beyond outstanding



Our National reach and impact



# We are St Piers

We are an innovative and creative education setting for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities.

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