SCA Team Transition Toolkit

Additional Strategies

This checklist for transition provides **Best Practice** guidance for children and young people with social communication difficulties and/or Autism.

These additional strategies may not be relevant to every child and young person with social communication difficulties and/or Autism, however they should be considered based on individual needs.

Strategies	What is it?	Suggested examples Appendix	Who is responsible
Pupil survival guides	These guides are useful in reducing anxiety in Autistic pupils. They give an overview of what they may experience at Secondary School and contain practical strategies for support.	A1.1 My personal diary A1.2 A-Z survival guide for moving to Secondary School	
Social Stories	Social Stories support pupils to understand change, providing reassurance and reducing anxiety. Information on writing social stories can be found here <u>https://carolgraysocialstories.co</u> m/	A2.1 STePS Moving to Secondary School example A2.2 STePS Saying Goodbye example A2.3 Happy Learners New School A2.4 Happy Learners New School Year	





		A2.5 Happy Learners When I Move Class	
Visual timetable	Visual timetables support understanding and processing of language, help to understand the sequence of events in time, provide organisation, predictability and develop independence. Visual timetables help to reduce anxiety at times of uncertainty and change, they will support processing at times of stress. A visual timetable can use objects, photographs, pictures or symbols that needs to be individualised and tailored to the pupil's needs.	A3.1 STePS Key Stage 3 Timetable example	
Scenarios/ sticker strategies	 Prompt cards can be used for a range of situations that may occur and identify steps to take. For example:: "If I arrive late to school": I need to go to the school office and tell xx. xx will take me to my classroom. I need to say 'sorry I'm late to my teacher and sit at my desk. 	A4.1 Twinkle Transition Scenarios A4.2 Autism Education Trust Prompt Cards	



