

# **Wargrave House**

'The Autism Specialists'







**Treatment & Education** of Autistic and Communication Handicapped Children

**'Wargrave House** is an exceptional school' **DFSTED 2014** 

"The quality and consistency of care that residential pupils receive is outstanding"

> **DFSTED** Residential Inspection 2017

'Students love coming to school' **OFSTED 2014** 

"Wargrave House is a service that enables some very vulnerable young people to develop a sense of belonging, ownership and community that enhances their wellbeing and selfesteem which results in very positive outcomes for students and their families."

NAS Accreditation2018

# **TEACCH**



## **TEACCH Origins**

**TEACCH** as a programme originated in North Carolina in the 1970s. It was founded by Eric Schopler and Robert Reicher.

Division TEACCH believe we need to respect the 'culture of autism'. We should capitalise on the strengths of individuals in their visual skills, favour of routine and recognising detail. They also advocate using the very individual interests of students with Autistic Spectrum Disorder to motivate the students.

#### Organisation

An important feature of TEACCH is the principle of working top to bottom or left to right. This spatial organisation comes naturally to the majority of us but it needs to be instilled on individuals with Autistic Spectrum Disorders in order to make sense of the task.

#### **Visual Learners**

Individuals with Autistic Spectrum Disorders are visual learners. Using visual schedules and systems TEACCH focuses on one dimension of language at a time. Students are given the opportunity to tackle tasks independently without having the additional social demands of having to negotiate with the teacher. Where the spoken word disappears visual information is concrete and can be referred to time and time again.

#### Independence

TEACCH strives to promote independence for individuals with Autistic Spectrum Disorder. It is intended that schedules provide and reinforce this independence. Schedules need to provide accurate and relevant information without the need for constant adult intervention.

#### **Schedules**



Visual schedules can take many formats. The information provided should always inform the user of what is happening now, what is happening next and what will happen when the task is finished. The choice and type of schedule will depend upon the needs and understanding of the person using it:

- Photographic Schedule
- Symbolic Schedule
- Written Schedule
- Object of reference schedule

### **Enquiries**

If you require any further information or have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Michele Davies on 01925 224899

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