

Internal Alternative Provision (IAP)

Since returning from the summer holidays, we have successfully launched our new 'Internal Alternative Provision' programme (IAP). The aim of the IAP programme is to keep our students within their usual school environment, whilst continuing their learning in the IAP room. This is a positive alternative to exclusion because our learners get to remain in school with access to resources and expertise, enabling them to continue with work they would be doing in lessons, and also giving them the chance to reflect on the reason(s) why they are in IAP and also what they can do as individuals to prevent them from making the same poor choices in the future. Whilst fixed term exclusion is sometimes unavoidable, the IAP room ensures that where possible, students remain in school and are supported in their learning in a safe, controlled environment and with access to school resources. We feel it is important for our learners to remain in school wherever possible, and are pleased that we now have improved facilities and resources to positively execute Internal Alternative Provision here at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School.

Alongside the everyday running of the IAP room, I will also be delivering a 'behaviour mentoring' programme with select students who we feel will benefit from having 1:1 mentoring based on a certain criteria. Together, we will be tackling behaviour and attitudes towards learning. This is a positive step in the direction of improving the behaviour of our students, not only within the classroom, but within their everyday lives. Rest assured that any student who takes part in our new and exciting mentoring programme, will not be removed from any core subject lessons. The sessions will run once a week for 30 minutes at a time with minimal disruption to students learning.

If your child is selected for this programme you will be contacted directly.

Any queries can be directed to our Alternative Provision Manager, Leanne Shaw or Fiona Fellows, Director of Student Services.