

# Julie Branch

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Julie is the Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Manager and manages the SEN team of Higher Level/Teaching Assistants.



Julie is responsible for the planning and implementation of SEND provision across the school, and also for ensuring all statutory elements of SEND are delivered, both in school and to the Local Authority, in line with the SEND Code of Practice.

Julie ensures students with SEND have the appropriate intervention and support in place to help them to become successful learners and that staff are fully informed about their particular difficulties. Most importantly, she wants her students to be happy and to grow in confidence, self-belief and character. Julie works closely with parents/carers, as it is also imperative that their views are heard and needs are met, as in many cases their child's SEND will impact significantly upon family life. In addition, Julie works with a wide range of external professionals and agencies.

Julie has over 25 years experience at The Buckingham School and holds an Advanced Professional Practice in Education SEN (Masters level) qualification, and in her own words has attended “numerous courses, too many to mention here.”

Julie is passionate about her students and believes that beneath some of the challenging exteriors, or apparent lack of interest in learning, there are some wonderfully talented, caring young people with such promise and potential. They just need a bit of help and guidance along the way, and it is our responsibility - not only to them, but to society too - to give them the best support and guidance we possibly can.

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