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Autism Spectrum
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HOW CAN I SUPPORT AN AUTISTIC STUDENT?

Classrooms are busy environments for anyone, from primary to secondary school. They can be particularly challenging environments for autistic pupil. Communication skills, social interaction, and sensory processing are areas which student on the spectrum can struggle with; yet all are key aspects of day-to-day school life.

Some measures you can take in supporting an autistic student include:

- Use clear, clear communication and respect all the forms and tools that it comes in;
- Provide predictability and structure
- Develop an Individual Education Plan (IEP) and consultation with families and other professionals;
- Promote understanding and inclusion with peers;
- Be aware of the sensory environment by providing breaks and quiet spaces;
- Identify their key interests and build educational and social opportunities around these.

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