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Communication & Language at The Walnuts

The ability to communicate is fundamental to an individual's sense of well being. At the most basic level, communication and language skills allow us to express our needs and feelings, and enable us to engage with people and the world around us. Being a competent communicator allows pupils 'to develop culturally, emotionally, intellectually, socially and spiritually' (NC Framework, 2014).

Individuals with autism have particular difficulties with social use of language, expressive and receptive language, making it difficult for them to express themselves and to understand and interact with others. These difficulties can lead to challenging behaviours and can impact on an individual's self-esteem and wellbeing. Therefore, at The Walnuts the teaching of Communication and Language is given high priority. We aim to equip all our pupils with the necessary skills to allow them to function in society as independently as possible.

