**Parent Guide: Our Education Provisions**

Welcome to Illuminate You and The Hideaway! We provide a nurturing, tailored education that meets the unique needs of every child.

Our holistic approach combines academic excellence, therapeutic support, and life skills development to help young people thrive.

**Our Mission**

At Illuminate You and The Hideaway, our mission is to create a safe, inclusive, and stimulating learning environment where students can achieve their potential.

We aim to empower young people by fostering resilience, independence, and a love of learning.

**What We Offer**

**1. Academic Excellence**

Our curriculum is designed to be flexible and personalized, ensuring that all students can progress at their own pace. Key features include:

* **Core Subjects:** We offer English, Mathematics, and Science, accredited through **AQA Unit Awards** and **Functional Skills qualifications**.
* **Individual Learning Plans:** Each student follows a bespoke learning pathway tailored to their abilities and aspirations.
* **Small Group Sizes:** Our low student-to-teacher ratio ensures focused attention and support.

**2. Therapeutic Support**

We recognize that many of our students face challenges that require more than academic intervention. To support their emotional and mental well-being, we provide:

* **Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT):** Helping students manage emotions and develop coping mechanisms.
* **Music Therapy:** Using creative expression to build confidence and reduce stress.
* **Trauma-Informed Practices:** Ensuring every aspect of the school day considers and supports the needs of children with past trauma.

**3. Life Skills Development**

Preparing students for adulthood is at the core of our education provision. We integrate life skills into the curriculum, including:

* **Cooking and Nutrition:** Teaching students how to prepare healthy meals and make informed choices.
* **Personal Finance:** Equipping students with skills in budgeting, saving, and managing money.
* **Vocational Training:** Offering practical, hands-on experiences in areas such as horticulture, animal care, and carpentry.

**4. Enrichment Opportunities**

Beyond the classroom, we provide opportunities for growth and exploration:

* **Outdoor Learning:** Activities that build teamwork, resilience, and an appreciation for nature.
* **Creative Arts:** Drama, art, and design workshops to foster creativity.
* **Community Engagement:** Encouraging students to give back through volunteering and projects.

**Support for Parents**

We understand the vital role parents and caregivers play in a child's education.

To keep you informed and involved:

* **Parent Portal:** Access regular updates on your child’s progress, attendance, and achievements.
* **Open Communication:** We encourage open dialogue with parents and provide regular opportunities for meetings with teachers and staff.
* **Workshops and Resources:** We offer parent workshops on supporting learning at home, emotional well-being, and other topics.

**Daily School Life**

* **Timings:** Our school day runs from 9:30 AM to 14:30 PM, with after-school activities available if required until 17:00 PM.
* **Transportation:** We assist in coordinating safe and reliable transport for students.
* **Meals:** Nutritious meals and snacks are provided, catering to individual dietary needs. Breakfast will be provided on arrival.

**Admissions Process**

We aim to make the admissions process as straightforward as possible.

Here’s how it works:

1. **Initial Inquiry:** Commissioners from Local Authorities or Mainstream Schools will contact our team for an information pack and availability.
2. **Referral information**: Will be received from the Local Authority or the Mainstream School you child currently attends.
3. **School Tour:** Visit our facilities and meet with staff.
4. **Assessment:** We assess each student’s needs to create an Individual Learning Plan.
5. **Start Date:** Once agreed, we’ll arrange a smooth transition into the school.

**Contact Us**

We are here to support you every step of the way. If you have any questions or need more information, please don’t hesitate to get in touch:

* **Phone:**
* **Email:**
* **Address:**

 “Together, we can help your child flourish”