



**St. Rose's**  
Inspiring Education, Therapy & Care

## WHAT MAKES ST ROSE'S SPECIAL?

As a parent or carer of a child or young adult with complex physical disabilities and additional needs, you want to be sure that the educational facility you are choosing can offer the very best in terms of Education, Therapy and Care. At St Rose's we have been doing just this for over 100 years and at St Martin's Specialist College since 2011.

We are committed to helping all our students achieve their full potential and their ambitions. Our dedicated and skilled team of teachers, therapists and carers work closely together to enable this to happen for each young person. Collectively we aim for personal growth and independence at a personal level for each student, however each individual works at their own pace and level to maximise their potential.

## FACILITIES AT ST ROSE'S

Both St Rose's and St Martin's are fully wheelchair accessible with many excellent facilities on site. These include our state-of-the-art hydrotherapy pool, sensory room, sensory garden, dedicated therapy spaces, trampoline and extensive grounds.

All learning is appropriately differentiated to each student's needs. Each classroom has a range of technology to support learning including interactive plasma screens accessed through touch screen or switch and iPads. Each area is led by a multi-disciplinary staff team, with every student having an individualised timetable blending education, therapy and care elements. Students with profound and multiple learning difficulties follow a developmental sensory curriculum. Sensory diets and sensory integration strategies (overseen by our occupational therapy team) are used with students who have sensory processing difficulties.

We adopt a 'Total Communication' approach throughout the school and college, ensuring that all forms of communication are valued. Social and emotional aspects of learning are promoted through personal development lessons as well as social and other activities.

All students in KS4 and KS5 work towards a wide variety of awards and accreditations including:

- Foundation Literacy and Numeracy;
- Entry level certificates;
- AQA unit awards;
- ASDAN Towards Independence
- Ascentis Music Accreditation.

We have our own wheelchair accessible vehicles and our students regularly visit the local community and beyond.

St Rose's and St Martin's take part in on-site, local and regional sporting activities and galas. These challenges help motivate the students to achieve greater independence.



## OUR SPECIALISMS

### ▶ Autism Spectrum Disorder

We offer a person centred approach to students with autism. Students benefit from highly structured personal programmes, incorporating an adapted curriculum and therapeutic support. We employ a range of strategies suited to individual need. We place emphasis on developing social communication and interaction, managing sensory needs to enable learning and promoting independence.

Students work in small classes with a core team of staff to ensure consistency across their day.

### ▶ Profound & Multiple Learning Difficulties

For students with profound and multiple learning difficulties education follows a developmental sensory curriculum with a holistic approach to all learning opportunities. Students are involved in sensory stories, art and creative activities, cooking, visiting local shops and more. By offering a wide range of experiences, that students can explore in their own particular way, our curriculum is lively, varied and functional. We follow the core subjects of English, Maths, Science, RE and IT as well as a range of creative subjects.

By providing small class sizes with a high staff to student ratio, we can provide students with a safe, nurturing and stimulating environment. We also offer 24 hour nursing support, as well as specialist staff, dedicated to the education and care of the students. By using postural beds in class, we can ensure that no student misses out on learning opportunities.

### ▶ Physical disability & Sensory Impairment

Many of our students have sensory impairments combined with physical and/or learning difficulties. We ensure that our students' needs are fully addressed with each student having access to the specialist professionals' input appropriate to their needs.



## ► Complex Health Needs

At St Rose's and St Martin's, we care for students with both congenital and acquired disabilities, many of whom have related complex health needs including neurology, endocrine, metabolic and respiratory conditions.

Our on-site team of nurses and therapists develop individual health care plans for each student with complex health needs in collaboration with the student, their families, external health professionals and the multi-disciplinary team at St Rose's.

Should one of our students be admitted to hospital, we are able to offer support to the student and their family as well as providing the ongoing care required to enable the student to return to St Rose's as soon as possible to continue their education.

## ► Nursing

Our fully qualified, dedicated nursing team offer 24 hour nursing care to meet the complex medical needs of all the young people placed in our care. All students requiring medication have an individual Medicine Administration Record and medication is administered by a nursing team or senior care team member who has undertaken the necessary training.

We facilitate health-related clinics at St Rose's to ensure we are involved in the on-going care of each student. These include clinics run by Consultant Paediatricians, Dieticians, Dentists and Orthotists.

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