

A Parent Carers Story

Experience of support transitioning to college

Our experience has been very positive, our son has moved from mainstream secondary school, to Shrewsbury College on the London Road Campus. We have had communication with college over the summer, as we had already started a good relationship with the SENCo at college. Our son's Occupational Therapist went to the college and advised the college what his needs were and then I went in and had a walkaround discussing accessibility and his needs too.

On enrolment and Induction, he had his TA there along with current members of the college who spent the time fact finding and ensuring everything would be in place for him, for when the course started due to no transition because of Covid! The college have adapted his timetable and added sessions with his TA for the open workshops. He has the support he requires at college with someone he trusts and understands his needs.

He has huge anxiety in the morning and unable to eat much breakfast due to the worry of Covid, because of him being so vulnerable, but once he is there he has got stuck in to the lesson and he is fine. We believe this is due to having the right support at college who can reassure him that he is safe and can help with his anxiety.

