

The Role of SNA in Dunamase College

The Special Needs Assistants (SNA) of Dunamase College make an enormous contribution in supporting some of our students with their needs during their time here. The SNA in Dunamase College assists students with Special Educational Needs (SEN) such as learning difficulties, autism and also students with physical and other challenges. It is the role of the SNA to support these students in their class activities, so they feel empowered to reach their full potential. The SNA's duties include assisting SEN students with organising their equipment for classes and recording homework in their journals. During classes the SNA can help ensure they understand instructions from their teachers. The SNA can assist in the preparation and tidying up of classrooms in which SEN students are being taught. To ensure students safety during practical subjects the SNA is present to give assistance as necessary. The SNA assists teachers in the supervision of SEN during roll call and lunch time periods. The SNA also assists on out-of-school visits and other similar activities.. The SNA may accompany a student(s) who may need to be removed temporarily from the classroom due to their primary care needs. This is just a snapshot of what the role of the SNA entails and their duties are reviewed and modified accordingly to support the needs of the SEN students of Dunamase College.

Access to an SNA is granted only through the local Special Education Needs Organiser. (SENO)