

An unhappy teenager at mainstream school, Amy's life totally transformed on moving to Heathlands

Troubled times

"Although Amy came through mainstream primary school the secondary school that her friends moved to was out of our area and so we had to send her to a school where there was no suitable peer group of British Sign Language users," says Mandy. "There was a lack of deaf awareness and Amy quickly felt isolated, lonely and bullied, which was heartbreaking."

Why Heathlands?

"Heathlands is a specialist school for deaf children and it ticked all the boxes for everything Amy needed in terms of academic progress and social interaction with a peer group that she felt included in."

Inclusion and enrichment

"Since going to Heathlands Amy is completely different. I would go as far as to say the school has totally transformed her and changed her life for the better." Mandy and Steve Lawrence live in Enfield with their daughter Amy, age 14 and son Alfie age 16.

Children say:

Amy says: "I feel comfortable here and more confident. I have good friends and two best friends. The teachers help me a lot so I understand everything. I like maths, English and PE best. I want to get good grades in my GCSEs then go to college and get a good job, maybe working with horses"



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