Blackwater School approach for supporting Autistic Children in the Classroom

## Classroom Resources

- $\mathbf{4}$  Visual timetables ensure all children understand the routines.
- **4** Ear defenders and visual dividers to minimise distractions.
- ₄ Task boards to support small step planning
- ₄ Visual timers to support the understanding of time
- Emotion cards to support children understand how they are feeling.
- 🖕 Sensory resources fidget aids, wedge cushions,

## Classroom Adaptations

- \* Provide clear and consistent routines throughout the day.
- \* Teach class routines and rules using visual aids.
- \* Keep instructions clear and simple.
- \* Awareness of classroom noise and other distractions when asking children to complete learning.
- \* Use of social stories to help children understand the world.
- Use visual aids and support cards to help children understand activities and social situations.
- $\star$  Avoid using irony or sarcasm.
- \* Do not insist on eye contact.