**SEND Department**

The SEND department at Valentines High School has a **critical role** to play in ensuring that Students with special educational needs and disabilities within the school receive the support they need.

The school serves a diverse multi-cultural intake, where over 80% of pupils have English as an additional language. All staff are skilled communicators which is key to students who require extra support during their educational journey at Valentines High School.

***Structure***

The department consists of a SEN Coordinator and seven Learning Support Assistants who work closely with students to facilitate their learning and ensure that each child reaches their full potential. They also support other teachers and staff to facilitate the integration of Students, for the majority of the time, in the Curriculum that is provided for the Year Group, supporting them through any challenges whilst promoting their independence.

The department ensures that they are providing appropriate support which is of upmost importance to the school. Understanding that not all children can access the curriculum in traditional ways and being able to adapt our methods to ensure all pupils make excellent progress.

This is a fantastic opportunity to join a close knit team in a truly outstanding school.