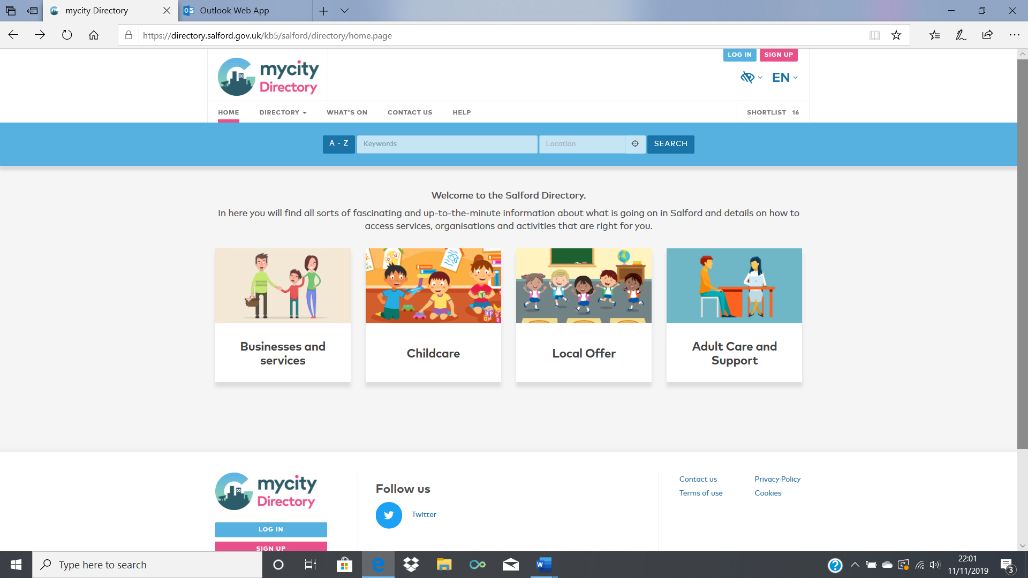
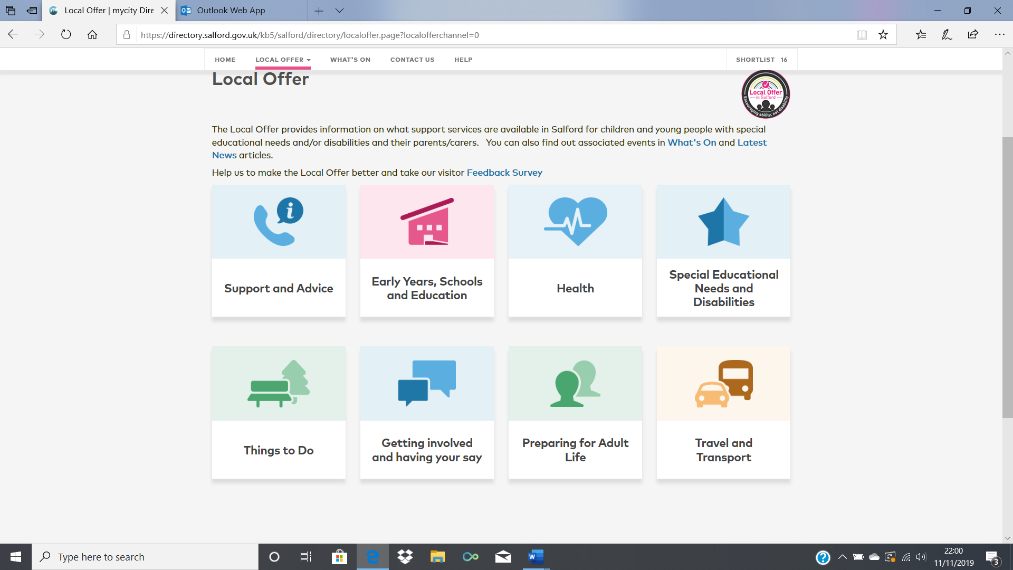
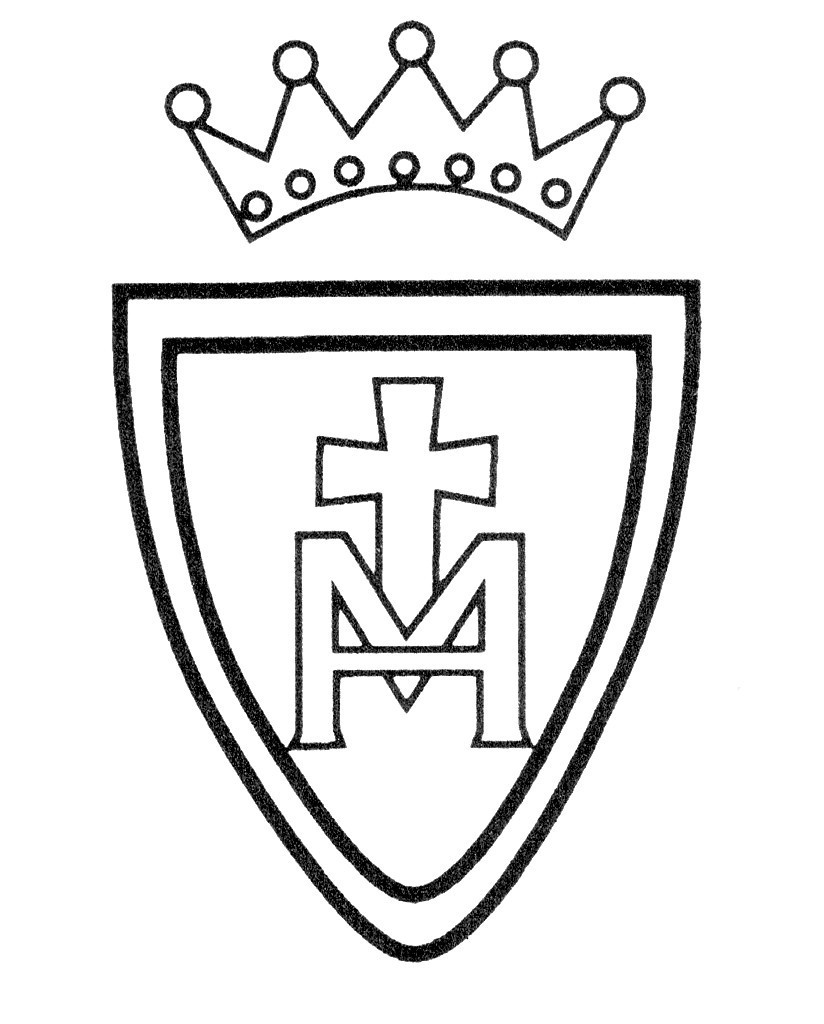
St Mary’s Information Leaflet for Parents for services linked to Salford’s Local Offer for SEN



Most children grow up without having any major difficulties at school.

Some children find it a little harder and need extra help. This could mean that they have special educational needs (SEN).

A child might have special educational needs because of difficulties with:

* communication and interaction (autism, speech, language and communication needs)
* cognition and learning (dyslexia; dyspraxia; moderate, severe and profound learning difficulty)
* social, emotional or mental health needs
* sensory and/or physical needs (visual, hearing or both impairments, a physical difficulty)

**Children have a special educational need if they have:**

* significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age, or
* a disability which prevents or hinders them from making use of facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age in mainstream schools or mainstream post-16 institutions.

Many pupils have special educational needs at some time during their education. These might already be known when a child is very young, or they might be identified at any time after a child has started school.

The great majority of children will have their special educational needs met in their local mainstream school, sometimes with extra help. For a small number of children Salford City Council may make a statutory assessment of their special educational needs. Only a few children have special educational needs which are so severe that they need a very different type of school to other children.

Here is the link to the local offer and some services that are provided

<https://directory.salford.gov.uk/kb5/salford/directory/localoffer.page?localofferchannel=0>

