

Red Balloon of the Air

Worthing

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What is RBAir?

- RBAir is a therapeutic **blended** educational provider for isolated young people (11 20 years) unable to access school due to bullying, trauma or ill-health
- Teams of teachers, therapists and local Link Mentors, who work in person with the child and family
- Long-established with a dedicated, highly qualified staff team
- Individualised live lessons online and in-person in-home support to help students to re-engage with learning before they are ready to leave their home



Typical student profiles:

Social/generalised anxiety and isolation

Depression, OCD

Eating disorders

ASC

Selective mutism

School phobic/bullied

Physical /medical needs

Chronic fatigue

Gender identity issues

In/out hospital

Large academic gaps

Isolation from peers

Student journeys at Red Balloon

- provision wholly at a Red Balloon centre
- re-engage with learning through RBAir and move fully or partially to a Red Balloon Centre, or to a mainstream school
- begin with RBAir and stay for GCSEs or other qualifications, supported socially and personally by local mentors and/or a centre
- begin with a RB centre and then access combined centre/RBAir provision

We flex according to each student's needs

RBAir works well when students have:

- a willingness to try RBAir and to show positive regard to others
- a home environment supportive of home learning (and adult for safeguarding loop)
- a reading age of 10+ to access online learning and therapy
- a wifi connection IT equipment provided

How RBAir engages and rebuilds

- Individualised, child-centred provision
- Live, supported online learning
- Graduated exposure at the student's pace
- A designated Link Mentor (trusted adult) who can support in the home, build social confidence via the centre, and finally support a return to the wider world
- Highly qualified professionals who create a team around each child, supported by a strong Red Balloon SEND team.

Additional information and getting in touch..

Brochures and further information available on our website: https://www.redballoonlearner.org/RBAir/

Please feel free to email and/or phone through to talk with us about any potential referral:

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To watch when you have a moment



