A Day in the Life of an ASPie Student – Year 8

"The ASPie helps with my lessons. The work can be explained in another way that I understand. If we leave a lesson, you need to take the work with you.

There is a balcony to help cool down and have some space.

ASPie has cereal for when we've not had breakfast or we're hungry between lessons – but, you need to do your work first!

Ms Anderson can help if you're struggling with school days – she can find support or different provisions to make the day better.

Each day I get 1:1 support from a TA to help in my lessons and for when I get stressed.

I leave lessons 5 minutes early to avoid the crowds and to get my lunch. At break and lunchtimes I can play Mario Kart on the Wii with other ASPie students.

We go on ASPie school trips before Christmas to Bowling and Laser Quest.

At Easter and summer we go to Battle Zone, but only if you don't get excluded, or receive too many behaviour points. On the way back we go to MacDonald's for lunch but I go to KFC because I don't like MacDonald's.

It's better than Primary School because I didn't get any help and they didn't understand me and my autism.

JK – Year 8