

## **TRANSCRIPT: Jade and school**

Jade

I love English and drama especially.

I like talking to my friends at break time and lunchtime because then I just get to chill and we say what we did at the weekend or talk about friends outside of school, and they make me feel happy, unlike other people in the school.

I really don't like when people are nice to me and then they go and talk about me behind my back. I don't really care but it's two-faced, isn't it?

In music therapy, I get the chance to do my own music or listen to music by other artists, which I do enjoy - whereas in music you have to do something that's set by the teacher - so it gives me chance to let off steam.

I think school don't really meet my needs as much as they could do. They don't really care much and they don't listen to me. Like, in a review or something, if I say things like, 'I want to go out on more trips to do road safety' or something like that, they'll say, 'Oh, yeah, yeah we can do that', and then they don't, or they would start doing that and then they stop.

In the corridor at lunchtime, it's manic 'cause, like, people swearing, shouting to their friends, hugging each other, running all up and down everywhere and there's just, basically, loads of people going up and down the corridors trying to get here there and everywhere. So, because I have sensory issues and get all hyper and stuff, I'm allowed to leave the classroom before everyone else to get my lunch so I can miss the crowd.

If I'm doing a play or something and I'm on stage, then I've had to rehearse and then I know what to expect with all the music and lights and what not. So I wouldn't freak out really, and plus, that's sort of my area of thing so I'd be more comfortable already in doing that sort of thing.