

## Schools and Families Specialist Services

We are a team of specialist teachers and teaching assistants with additional qualifications and extensive experience in working with children and young people with special educational needs/disabilities (SEND) aged from 0-19. Teaching, advice, support and training for pupils with the most complex needs, and for the staff who work with them, is available **free of charge** to all Nottinghamshire schools, including academies and PVI settings. Schools can also purchase a range of training and consultancy services which can be tailored to meet individual requirements.

### What we offer

- Training and consultancy on the educational implications of a range of SEND including: autism; dyslexia; sensory impairment; speech, language and communication needs; Down Syndrome; foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD); dyscalculia; profound and multiple learning needs; emotional, social and behavioural needs.
- Training on the educational implications of a range of SEND to private and voluntary settings through the Training and Development Opportunities directory (TADO).
- Assessment and target setting for pupils with SEND including training on P Scales; PIVATS; Portage (for very young children); specialist language and other assessment methods.
- Inclusive technology and specialist software for pupils with SEND, including sensory impairments.
- Literacy and numeracy interventions (e.g. Numicon) and differentiation.
- The Inclusion Development Programme and the DfE advanced training materials for: autism; dyslexia; speech, language and communication needs; moderate learning difficulties.
- Working with parents and carers.
- Signs and symbols and other augmentative/ alternative communication methods including British Sign Language and Braille.

### Our pledge

To provide specialist advice and training to schools to support them in effectively meeting the needs of learners with SEND; tailored to meet schools individual requirements, as appropriate; and constantly evaluated and reviewed in response to feedback.

- Ofsted planning, preparation and follow up in relation to SEN, as well as School self-evaluation of inclusive practice.
- Transition planning and person centred approaches.
- Environmental audits for pupils with a sensory impairment.

## Benefits to your school

- ▶ Staff are highly qualified and experienced, with a deep commitment to high standards and improving life outcomes for children and young people with SEND.
- ▶ As a Nottinghamshire based service, we have an understanding and experience of the local context, and its particular issues and challenges. This helps us to support you more effectively.
- ▶ The service is professional, reliable, flexible and provides excellent value for money.
- ▶ We will discuss the programme of training and support with you, to meet your individual needs and requirements.
- ▶ We are nationally recognised for our work in a number of areas, including autism, dyslexia, speech, language and communication needs and SEND in early years.



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## Costs

There has been no increase in our prices for bespoke training over the last five years. Most of our training remains free of charge. For further information on costs, please contact the service directly.

## Further information

We can provide support, advice and training to meet the needs of pupils with the most complex needs **free of charge** to all Nottinghamshire schools, including academies. This support is usually negotiated at Family Springboard meetings. Some of the training described above is available for purchase in addition to the core offer. Please contact the service directly for further information.

