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SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY INFORMATION FOR PROFESSIONALS, PARENTS/CARERS, AND VOLUNTEERS



Welcome to the April edition of the SEND Newsletter. The aim of this newsletter is to keep you up to date with information about special educational needs and disability, especially what's going on in our local area.

This edition contains information on the following:

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Autism Awareness

26 March – 2 April 2018 was world Autism Awareness Week and so we are sharing new resources which may be of interest. These are additional to the existing local autism awareness training events that are organised by the Education Inclusion Service (Sally Ann Pindar - ASC Technical Support Officer and our 3 Inclusion Practitioners - Cath Murdoch, Janet Sweet and Rob Page). Current local courses and seminars are displayed on the News page on the Local Offer, which can be accessed here:

<http://www.eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk/news/>

1. Online Autism Awareness Raising Course

A free online course has been developed by the Tizzard Centre, Kent and is currently accessible through Futurelearn training. The course can be accessed here <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/autism>. The following themes are covered:

- * What is autism... and does it exist?
- * Social communication skills
- * Sensory sensitivities and repetitive behaviours
- * Co-occurring conditions
- * Strengths and difficulties of people on the autism spectrum
- * Lived experiences of people on the autism spectrum

2. Online course - Women and Girls on the Autism Spectrum

Research and anecdotal reports from practitioners suggest that many females with significant social communication difficulties or who demonstrate the less well recognised signs of autism are not being identified. The National Autism Society has recently produced an online training module called Women and Girls which can be found here:

<http://www.autism.org.uk/professionals/training-consultancy/online/women-and-girls.aspx>

Whilst the module is primarily aimed for those involved with a diagnosis, it has information which is relevant to families, health, social care and educational practitioners.

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DO YOU KNOW ABOUT TYLER?

T.Y.L.E.R - The Young Leaders of East Riding

T.Y.L.E.R are a group of Young People who want to ensure all children and young people who have a disability, learning difficulties or health needs get their voices heard!!

T.Y.L.E.R Aims and Priorities :-

- Gather views of young people across the East Riding about services available to them
- Engage with professionals to improve services and outcomes for children and young people with additional needs
- Feedback views to professionals about education, bullying, activities available to and much more
- Give young people a chance to build a social network

T.Y.L.E.R meet every 3 months, they also hold relaxed drop in sessions once a month. T.Y.L.E.R has their own website – www.tylermakingadifference.co.uk and they have designed their own merchandise to promote their group – this includes Posters, Wristbands, Pens and Lanyards.

Once a young person joins T.Y.L.E.R, they receive their own ID badge and personalised Hoody.

T.Y.L.E.R have met with and continue to meet with many different professionals and services on a regular basis.

The group are always looking to gain new members if you are aware of any young people who would like to join the group please signpost them to complete the join us form on their website or alternatively you can contact Aneliese Foster – aneliese.foster@eastriding.gov.uk.

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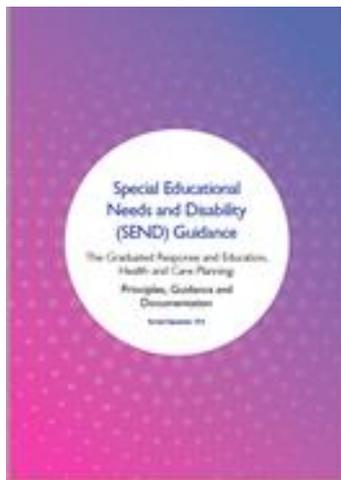
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SEND Guidance – Graduated Response and EHC Planning



SEND Guidance – The Graduated Response and Education, Health and Care Planning (Purple Folder)

The SEND Guidance was produced in September 2016 to support practitioners who work in organisations supporting children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in East Riding of Yorkshire.

This guidance is intended to be read alongside and complements the Government's SEND Code of Practice 0-25 years:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-code-of-practice-0-to-25>

Hard copies (A4 sized purple ring binders) were distributed to schools, settings and professionals in 2016, and electronic copies are available on the Local Offer website at:

<http://www.eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk/education/send-elearning-and-guidance/>

Information contained within the guidance folder includes:

- What is meant by and how to evidence a graduated response
- EHC needs assessments
- SEN panel
- Annual reviews
- Personal budgets
- Templates for professional reports, annual reviews and person-centred tools.

We are currently starting the process of reviewing this guidance and would welcome your feedback and suggestions as to how to improve the content.

Please send feedback/suggestions to lesley.gilson@eastriding.gov.uk

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Preparing for Adulthood

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Preparing for Adulthood (otherwise known as PfA) is a priority for East Riding of Yorkshire. As such, news that the Department for Education (DfE) is providing a one-off grant to all local authorities to promote supported internships and other preparation for employment activity for young people with SEND, was positively received.

The expectation is that local authorities use the grant to set up local supported internship forums and to provide job coach training. Work is currently underway to set up a joint supported internships forum with Hull City Council as we believe by working together we can engage with more employers.

A supported internship is one type of study programme specifically aimed at young people aged 16 to 24 who have an EHC plan and want to move into employment and need extra support to do so.

For more information about supported internships please visit:

www.eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk/moving-to-adulthood/education-training-and-employment/



Worklink

Worklink provides employment training for people with learning disabilities from their sites in Cottingham, Sewerby, and Goole. More recently the Worklink service has also become involved in an employment training initiative based at the Victoria Avenue Day Service in Withernsea too.

Worklink use a dedicated training programme called the Work Associated Skills Programme (WASP) to complement the practical skills that they deliver in areas including Hospitality and Catering, Woodwork, and Horticulture. All Worklink sites are open to the public which provides an excellent opportunity to promote positive images of people with learning disabilities in a working environment.

Referrals to the Worklink service can be made through Care Management teams or through Worklink directly, their contact number is 01482 842009. Worklink actively encourages anyone who may be interested in the service to visit them at their Eppleworth Road Cottingham site for an informal chat and tour of the site.

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LOCAL CONTACT INFORMATION

Children's Commissioning and Quality Monitoring Team

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For EHCP enquiries:

Telephone: (01482) 392163

Email: send.enquiries@eastriding.gov.uk

For commissioning and contract enquiries:

Telephone: (01482) 392254

Email: childrens.commissioning.team@eastriding.gov.uk

0-25 SEND Team

The Hub and Specialist Services,

Springhead Lane

Anlaby Common

Hull

HU5 5YJ

Telephone: (01482) 394000

Family Information Services Hub (FISH)

Free, impartial service for children, young people, parents/carers and the people who support them:

Telephone: (01482) 396469

www.fish.eastriding.gov.uk

SEND Information, Advice and Support (SENDIASS)

SENDIASS offers impartial, confidential information, advice and support for parents and carers of children and young people (aged 0-25) with special educational needs or disabilities and those who support them;

Telephone: (01482) 396469

Email: sendiass@eastriding.gov.uk

East Riding Parent/Carer Forum (EYPCF)

East Yorkshire Parent Carer Forum (EYPCF) works with the East Riding Council and health partners to help improve services for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. They consult with parents and carers all across **the East Riding about what works well and any issues they may have.**

Tel: (01262) 678283,

Mobile: 07813676941 ,

Email : admin@eypcf.co.uk

KIDS 16-25 SEND Information, Advice and Support Service

A young people's information, advice, support and advocacy service.

The information and support enables young people to participate in decisions about their future and is impartial, confidential and accessible.

Telephone: (01482) 467540 (Office)

Email: enquiries.yorkshire@kids.org.uk