

SENDCo Newsletter

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SEND Practice Leadership Team

Bristol City Council (BCC) is dedicated to improving support for children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). They are doing this in two ways: Firstly, they are looking at the level of need in the local area in order to allocate places in specialist provision more appropriately.

Secondly, BCC are establishing a new SEND Practice Leadership Team to assist families in transitioning their children from alternative provisions back to local mainstream or specialist schools where appropriate. To read more click [here](#).

PINS Project Update

The Partnerships for inclusion of Neurodiversity in schools (PINS) project is a national initiative led by the Department for Education, Department for Health and Social Care and NHS England. Bristol Parent Carers have been working with the ICB and Parent Carer forums in North Somerset and South Glos to deliver this project across the area, our aim is to better support education accessibility for neurodivergent pupils. The project has now launched in 20 participating schools across Bristol with participating schools receiving £5000 funding to support inclusive strategies.

[Read more](#)

FREE training

[Send and You](#) are holding 2 online information sessions for SENDCos to clarify and update knowledge on legal processes surrounding EHCPs. For more information and to book please click [HERE](#)

Sirona Health are delivering FREE evidence based SALT training for EYFS practitioners working with autistic children. This includes 1 online orientation session and 5 face-to-face teaching sessions; plus 2 individual video feedback appointments in your setting. Click [HERE](#) for more.



Bristol Parent Carers updates

Bristol's SEND and Inclusion Strategy

We have coproduced a new SEND strategy with Bristol City Council, health services, families and young people. We want your feedback on the approach we plan to take as a local area to improve SEND for all of us.

Share your views through the consultation link and help shape the future of SEND services.

[Click here](#)

Coffee Mornings

We run coffee mornings all year round. Parent carers feedback that the sessions help them to feel better connected to their school and their community. Book yours now!



[Book here](#)

Annual General Meeting

BIG REMINDER that members of Bristol Parent Carrer Forum are invited to join us on October 14th for our AGM. You can find out what we have been working on over the past year, review forum finances, and welcome in new trustees. There will also be a short Q&A for you to ask any questions about the charity's work. We really want your input!

[Book Here](#)

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