



Peterborough SENCO Network Agenda

Date: Thursday 9th February 2023 **Time:** 9am-1pm **Location:** Nene Park Academy (Oundle Road, Peterborough, PE2 7EA)

Time	Title	Lead
9.00	Welcome Behaviour, the role of being curious	 Emma Harkin Emma Harkin is the Head of SEND and Inclusion for Peterborough City Council (PCC). Emma commenced her post in June 2022. She previously worked in schools and for other larger local authorities so it appreciates coming to a smaller authority. Since joining PCC Emma has been focusing on the identification of need and the understanding of this need within the local areas, leading to the development of a sufficiency plan to support the children, young people and schools in Peterborough. Emma has also place a focus on the building of relationships between the Schools and the Local Authority and is looking forward to working with you closely. Sharon Gray
	instead of furious	Sharon is currently an Education Consultant at Wholehearted Learning, a co-opted member of 'engage in their future' - representing special schools nationally for young people experiencing severe social, emotional and mental health difficulties, a member of the Youth Justice Board strategic overview for education in custody and the development of our first secure school, being Board Champion for neurodivergence. She is currently working with Kirklees LA – SEND transformation plan and is a school improvement partner for both special and mainstream settings
10.10	Making the Graduated approach, OAP & APDR doable A think about the whole school approach to SEND and ways to make this happen.	 Mary Abeyasekera & Amy Wright Mary joined Meridian Trust in September 2017 following her role as an HMI and one of Ofsted's National Leads for SEND. During her time with Ofsted, she introduced the Local Area SEND inspections. Mary has substantial leadership and management experience in all-through special schools and mainstream secondary schools. As well as being an Advanced Skills Teacher, Mary has held senior leadership and consultancy posts in schools in the East of England. Amy joined Meridian Trust in September 2021 and has worked in SEND education for 20 years. She started her career at Friars School in Wellingborough where she discovered a passion for working with children and young people on the autism spectrum. She has also worked as a
		peripatetic autism teacher, specialist SEND teacher and autism advisory teacher in Peterborough. Amy is a qualified SENDCO and recently completed an MEd (with distinction) in Special Education: Autism (Children) at the University of Birmingham.
10:55	Coffee & Time to Network	Take time to grab a coffee and have a chat to those you have not met before, making links with peers is the best support structure available. Please help yourself to coffee and biscuits.
11.10	Utilising Education Endowment Foundation Resources for SEND Using the EEF resources to support your strategic vision for whole school SEND.	Amy Wright, Laura Elger & Rebecca Armour Laura is the Vice Principal and Hub Manager at Ormiston Meadows Academy. Rebecca is Assistant Head of School and SENDCO at Hampton College
12.05	LA Updates	Toni Bailey Toni Bailey is the Assistant Director for SEND & Inclusion, he has a background as a mainstream school primary teacher and as a head teacher in Good and Outstanding special schools, specialising in SEMH and Autism for Key stages 2 – 5 and into adulthood. He has post graduate qualifications in Law and Trauma Informed Practice and has worked to support the development of SEND strategy in Germany and New Zealand.
12.15	Family Voice Peterborough	Louise Ravenscroft & Asta Remezaite Louise is Chief Executive Officer Asta is Forum Coordinator
12:25	SENCOs Peer Support discussion	This is an opportunity for SENCOs to get together in small groups and discuss the following: - Biggest challenges - What is working and what is not / what helps - Topics / areas of support for future conferences/forums
12.45	Question time A chance to ask questions about challenges or aspects of clarification.	Emma Harkin, Toni Bailey