

PETERBOROUGH



**SEND Forum**  
**SENI services updates**  
**02/05/2024**

# AATS service update - Update May 2024

- **PINS** – thank you for all those schools who applied, apologies we couldn't take everyone!
- **RFIs** – please check you are using this email address - [inclusion-referrals@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:inclusion-referrals@peterborough.gov.uk) If you have an urgent case, please also copy in the manager of the service so they are aware.
- Please let us know of any pre-school children with high SEND needs so we can help you prepare for their arrival
- Year 6 transitions for Autism/ ADHD we only need an RFI for those children who will need our support to transition.

# AATS service update continued - Update May 2024

- Transitions - our consent and information sheets have gone to all early years settings but please contact those settings where you have children coming from to encourage them to share information and contact us if you have children coming to you. We will also be contacting schools regarding year 2 and 6 transitions in the next few weeks.
- Training/ support sessions - Family and professional session – I have a diagnosis what does that mean to me? 4-5.30pm at Manor Drive secondary on the 6th of June.
- Starting school session for Families – online on the 11th of June 1.30-2.30pm - for those families who have a child starting school with social communication difficulties
- Schools session - for children starting school with social communication difficulties 18th of June 1-3pm

# AATS service update continued - Update May 2024

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- Early bird Plus - our first session is on the 17th of May , if one of your family's attend we invite you to send a member of staff along for 8 weeks, for £55 they will get 20 hours of autism training and a great resource book! Places are limited, however we will run this again next term.
- Autism Education trust - next year, please contact us if you would like training

# Local Area SENI Support (LASS)



## Update May 2024

- Discussions ongoing about the SEND Hub network and how to best utilise this service
- New Learn Together pages for Peterborough - [Peterborough SEND - Learn Together Peterborough](#)
- Primary SENCO Network meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> May at Welland – email me
- Secondary SENCO Network meeting today at 4pm at Hampton College
- PCC SEND conference 11<sup>th</sup> July – fully booked – please sign up on waiting list <https://forms.office.com/e/paYPfYZepQ> – if a place becomes available, I will let you know.
- Lots of referrals in for individual cases but do reach out anytime for general advice and guidance.

# Educational Psychologist service

## Update May 2024



The EPS subscription paperwork has been circulated to SENCOs.

If you would like to discuss anything or did not receive it please can you contact [Alison.tolson@peterborough.gov.uk](mailto:Alison.tolson@peterborough.gov.uk)

The deadline is 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

# Early Years SEND Specialist and Portage Service



## Update March 2024

- A reminder that this is a pre-school service that offers a 'portage model' of support to families of children with complex development needs.
- We visit the child and their family, referred to us through the RFI/ES pathway and along with other professionals involved work in partnership to build on the child's developmental strengths
- Once the child starts attending a pre-school setting on their funded hours, we support transition and close

# Early Years SEND Specialist and Portage Service



## Update March 2024 continued

### Our offer:

- We offer our families fortnightly home visits planning and working on targets
- The Portage model looks at 'Child Led play', 'Family Focus' and 'Structured teaching'
- We also deliver the NAS EarlyBird Programme for parents of children 0-4years (pre-school), that have an Autism diagnosis
- We deliver an annual two day, with follow-up morning, Portage Workshop- looking at the principles and model
- We offer a Sensory Learners Group at the child and family centre room at Fulbridge School, weekly during term time



# Sensory and Physical Support Service (SAPS)



## Update May 2024

- RFI needed if the CYP is going into a new setting NOT if staying at current setting
- PD – postural seating arrangement that has been in place since September 23 has gone well. LA funded 69 requests related to postural seating in Autumn/Spring. Process:
  - OT identifies need and provides clinical reasoning
  - Monthly "panel" to look at requests
  - If agreed, equipment sought through NRS
- The arrangement will only work if equipment is recycled. Please make us aware if you have obsolete equipment that could go in to this system. This is the expectation for all equipment bought through scheme and it has already brought savings.

# Deaf and PD Hub Events

## Deaf Hubs focus on peer support/role models

- “you can’t be what you can’t see” Marian Wright Edelman, an American activist for the rights of children, originally used this quote.
- children are less likely to be inspired for their future, if they don't have visible role models- these can be high profile or local friends/encounters- all are vital



# Building on success of previous events....

## **NOVA DEAF HUB EVENTS**

### **A tour of Anglian Ruskin University Centre Peterborough 23<sup>rd</sup> of May 2024 10:00-12:00**

This is for Deaf and HI children, young people, and their families to receive a signed tour of the University. Staff will explain how they can accommodate need and share some of the courses available at the centre. At the end of the session there will be a group work activity facilitated by student ambassadors, and an opportunity to ask questions.

For further information and to book a place please contact [jmacdonald@pkat.co.uk](mailto:jmacdonald@pkat.co.uk)

### **TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC 14<sup>th</sup> of JUNE 2024 09:30-11:30**

Nova Hub is delighted to invite Deaf and Hearing-Impaired children in nursery, pre-schools and primary schools to a Teddy Bears' Picnic:

- Children can bring their teddy bears, experience signed stories and deaf friendly activities, and enjoy light refreshments in the school's sensory garden.
- . Signed rhymes.
- . Make a jam sandwich.
- . Find the bear game.
- . Decorate a teddy picture.
- . And more!
- Parents, carers and school staff who support these children are warmly invited to attend with them. To book your place, please email [vwells@npa.pkat.co.uk](mailto:vwells@npa.pkat.co.uk)

## St John Fisher Deaf Hub

Art Event- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> of June 9:20-11.30  
Opportunity for Deaf CYP Year 4 and up

Contact Lucy Lester  
Lucy.Lester@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk

## Deaf Awareness week 6-12th May

Lucy has put together resources that can support –  
contact SJF Deaf Hub if you are interested.....(Secondary/  
upper KS2)

<https://www.ndcs.org.uk/get-involved/become-more-deaf-aware/deaf-awareness-week> – Link for further information and resources.



St John Fisher Deaf Hub presents

# Art Workshop

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June  
09:20-11:30  
Year 4 D/deaf students and up

Explore exciting new materials  
and techniques

### RSVP

Lucy Lester, Teacher of the Deaf  
[lucy.lester@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk](mailto:lucy.lester@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk)  
Include the names of the students attending, their ages,  
any additional support needs, and names of support staff



# VI Event- St John Fisher School lead by Teachers of VI- SAPS team

- Event for parents/carers of children with a vision impairment.
- Date: Thursday the 27th of June
- Time:10-12pm
  
- Meet each other
- Understand roles professionals

# PD Training Events

- Sensory Training - Jack Hunt PD Hub are delivering training on Sensory Processing. The training will take place on the 23rd of May 2024 at 3:30pm to 4:30pm.
- The training focus will be on Sensory Processing with the following outcomes:
  - What it is.
  - What it looks like in children and young people.
  - Regulation.
  - How you can support children and young people with sensory differences.
  - Sensory strategies in the classroom – including equipment.
  - **To book a place on this free training, please contact [kferguson@jhs.pkat.co.uk](mailto:kferguson@jhs.pkat.co.uk)**
- **Moving and Handling Training:**
  - 4-day initial training course - 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> of October at Ormiston Meadows Academy.
  - 2- day refresher course – 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> of October at Jack Hunt.

# Peterborough SEND Conference 2024



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**SEND Information Hub (Local Offer)**

[https://fis.peterborough.gov.uk/kb5/peterborough/directory/site.page?id=zaWjffd\\_yUo](https://fis.peterborough.gov.uk/kb5/peterborough/directory/site.page?id=zaWjffd_yUo)



Peterborough Specialist SEND Hub Network