**SEND INFORMATION Exchange 5th & 6th March 2019**

**ATTENDEE EVALUATION**

* A total of 94 people attended across the 2 sessions, 19 more people than the November Exchange.
* 52 people attended the Tuesday afternoon session and 30 of them completed the evaluation equating to 58% of the attendees.
* 42 people attended the Wednesday morning session and 26 of them completed the evaluation equating to 62% of the attendees.
* The majority of attendees, some 59% represented Wirral Primary schools, 11% represented Secondary schools & FE Colleges, 3% represented Special schools, 3% represented Early Years settings, 3% represented Health, 4% represented Independent schools/bodies and 17% represented the LA. Disappointingly, zero attendance from Social care and surprisingly 0% from the Independent schools who have communicated their appreciation at being invited.
* 56 attendees (60%) completed feedback forms.
* Feedback was super positive, and the sessions were deemed useful (see attached score ratings).
* A range of general comments were left (see below).
* Suggestions for guest speakers/topics for future Exchanges were made (see below).
* A series of training needs were identified (see below)

**Responses to Questions posed.**

Q1. How useful did you find the content? (Scores 1 – 5, 5 being very useful and 1 not at all useful)

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| **S SCORE** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
| **RESPONSES** | **0** | **0** | **1** | **24** | **30** |
| **%** |  | **0** | **2%** | **44%** | **54%** |

Q2. How good was the delivery? (Scores 1-5, 5 being very good and 1 poor)

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| **SCORE** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
| **RESPONSES** | **0** | **0** | **1** | **25** | **29** |
| **%** |  |  | **2%** | **45%** | **53%** |

Q3. Do you feel more informed after the session? (Scores 1-5, 5 being ‘Yes definitely’ and 1‘No I don’t)

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| **S SCORE** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
| **RESPONSES** | **0** | **0** | **4** | **18** | **33** |
| **%** |  |  | **7%** | **33%** | **60 %** |

Q4. Have you/your school benefitted from the improved Local Offer/Sally’s support?

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| YES | NO | WOULD LIKE TO |
| 36 | 4 | 16 |

Interested schools looking for Sally’s support are:

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| St Bridget’s Primary | Holy Spirit Primary |
| Greenleas Primary | Sacred Heart Primary |
| Stanton Road Primary | Weatherhead High School |
| Caldy Grammar School | Castleway Primary |
| Irby Primary | St Peter &Paul’s |
| Birkenhead High School Academy | Bidston Avenue Primary |
| Cathcart St Primary | Our Lady of Pity Primary |
| Overchurch Junior School | Heswall Primary |

Comments:

Sally provides excellent advice and guidance. This has been so useful as a SENCO covering Maternity leave.

Excellent way to access most up to date forms.

SENCO forum looks like a great idea! Thank you Sally!

Sally, your passion to make a difference to the lives of Wirral SEND CYP is plain for all to see. Inspirational!

We’d love Sally to come and do a Parent/Carer drop in in the summer term.

Really helpful that Sally guides us towards training opportunities.

Great e mail support and signposting school to locate information.

Autism Together continues to benefit from Sally’s/Local Offer’s support. Thank you!

Loads of useful info- thank you!

We would love Sally to come and do a SEND clinic at school, will be in touch.

Easy access and informative.

We’d like Sally to come and support at a Local Offer/School Nurse drop in afternoon for Parents.

So helpful being kept up to date. Thank you Sally. You work sooooo hard!

Sally has supported our school really well. Parents Evenings, Parent drop ins and summer fair.

I regularly access the Local Offer for support for Parents and for updates to inform my day to day practice.

As a new SENCO Sally has been really helpful making me aware of training and meetings.

Great for accessing updated paperwork and pointing parents in the right direction for advice. Much more streamlined information sharing, and queries are answered quickly.

Great feedback from Parents after Sally attended our Parents evenings. Two late nights were much appreciated!

Provided great support for Orrets Outreach.

Excellent service Sally!

Sally is very supportive and the communications from her is excellent. Thanks Sally.

Website is clearer and easier for us to access.

5. Your feedback from the November Exchange told us that you wanted to hear from the ASC team and those involved with the ADHD pathway review. We’re hoping to have Occupational Therapy here to talk to you at the summer term exchange in June. Any other areas you’d like us to pursue for future exchanges?

(In order of the number of requests)

* OT – talk about sensory issues as well as physical. OT physio – how we access support?
* Sensory processing disorder.
* Early Years – Inclusive Funding. Evidence required and how it can help?
* KIND team – what is on offer, how to access it.
* EHCP co-ordinators. Assessment process (WAGOLL). Process from Co-ordinators perspective. How best to work collaboratively with SENCOs and families.
* Sensory service/processing
* Improved transition
* Feedback on the new Integrated behaviour response pathway
* Paediatrics
* More SALT
* More CAMHS
* Interventions for processing difficulties and long-term memory issues

6. Some of you found the networking time with colleagues really useful and others less so. A suggestion was made to put time aside as the last agenda item, so you have a choice. Good idea? Any thoughts?

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| YES | NO |
| 56 | 0 |

Comments:

It’s good to catch up with people.

At the end works, gives people the option to stay or go.

Last agenda item (therefore optional) is ideal.

Chance to discuss common problems & seek advice.

Fab, yes, made some new links. Provides us with a great opportunity for discussion.

I’m a new SENCO and Sally helped me buddy up with an experienced SENCO near to my setting.

Really important to share good practice and concerns – feel better supported.

Networking is an important part of these sessions.

Great to have the opportunity to talk to other services. ASC team, EHCP co-ordinators.

Invaluable – suggestion identify primary & secondary SENCOs

Proposed sharing best practice sessions will be really useful for this.

7. Any training needs you would like to see addressed?

Docs required for EHC/PFA requests for children in mainstream settings and how to process them. WAGOLLS

Sensory advice. How to support pupils who struggle with noise/texture of clothes or foods.

Importance of TA’s/role of TA’s – directed to Headteachers (please!)

More SALT

More CAMHS

Support around dyslexia and dyscalculia

Autism training offers? ASC team had to cancel due to staff shortages.

Improved transition

Whole school training to address SEN in QF teaching.

Threshold documents, how are they used?

Anything to help us with SEMH

General Comments:

Well organised and great content.

Like the idea of sharing ideas at the next session. Found Ana a little confusing.

Ana Stokes presentation was very useful – Thanks Ana!

Jo Watt’s was very informative. Great Sally has fed our views to the pathway review team & we’re being listened to.

Maybe include info re the Integrated Response team. How it’s working and if all agencies are properly supported?

Information sharing is most important followed by networking

Thank you so much Sally, today was great!

Long term view of where the KIND team sit within the SEN service would be helpful.

ELSA training looks fantastic!

Thank you for another well run, informative exchange.

What a positive address by Jo Watts especially for a new SENCO – “let’s move on and not look back!”

Really useful information regarding the changes to the ASC/ADHD pathways.

It’s really helpful to come here to keep our team up to date.

The planned sharing of best practice at the June exchange is a great idea! It will benefit us all.

These sessions are great really informative. Nice to put faces to names. Keep up the good work!

Excellent meetings – one I wouldn’t miss!

Would it be useful to pair up a new SENCO with an experienced SENCO in a supportive mentoring capacity?

**To consider for June’s Exchange**

Offers to present examples of best practice from St Andrew’s Primary, Hillside Primary and Gilbrook Outreach

Safe Families for Children booked for a 15 minute presentation

Send Calendar invites out now to further maximise attendance

Continue to invite the Independent schools & PVI Nursery SENCOs

Stick with the revised room layout in the Council Chamber

Keep networking time at the end of each session.

Continue to market Secondary schools & Colleges to further improve their attendance

Link in to Voluntary sector organisations and encourage attendance

Sally Tittle

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