

SEND

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities all different – all together



Help Around the Local Offer

Newsletter June 2017

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This is our very first newsletter so please send us any information, suggestions or ideas you may have!

HALOs

We will begin to train our wonderful HALOs towards the end of July. These will be front line staff who will have specialist knowledge around the Local Offer and can help children, young people and their families access all the relevant information on SEND provision in St. Helens

We will be starting with the Library service so from August 2017, you will be able to work with the wonderful staff at your nearest library in order to access the Local Offer. Just look out for the HALO lanyard or ask a member of staff for more details!

Local Offer Steering Group

Representatives from multiple agencies are going to be coming together in order to help shape and improve the content of the Local Offer. This is really important work as it ensures our information is transparent, up to date and relevant for families in St. Helens.

If you would like to be part of this exciting work, or you represent an agency which you feel would benefit from being on the steering group, please contact SEND Development Officer Heather Addison at HeatherAddison@sthelens.gov.uk.

Co-production

We want to say a big thank you to all the parents, carers, children and young people who have helped us and worked so hard to improve the design and content of our Local Offer. So far this year we have worked with: **Listen 4 Change Parent Carer Forum; 818 Youth Group; Cowley International Language College; Allanson Street Primary School; Broad Oak Primary School; Carr Mill Primary School and Queens Park Primary School.** We are also so grateful to the staff who welcomed us into their establishment and supported us in completing this vital work.

A 'You said, we did' section is now available on the site, so we welcome you to have a look and see the difference our fantastic community is already making: <https://www.sthelens.gov.uk/senyou said>

There are also some exciting changes in the pipe line so watch this space!



The children at Queens Park Primary School working hard on the Local Offer

Service of the month!

This is our chance to give due credit to a nominated service, group or agency that is doing great work around SEND. June's winner is:

Allanson Street Primary School

For all their support and enthusiasm around Voice of the Child

Meet the Team!

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