

Educational Psychology Service

SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

Devon Educational Psychology Service provides specialist consultation, advice and support, working with schools and settings to enhance their capacity to include and raise the achievement of children and young people with complex difficulties. Work to support schools and the LEA in discharging their statutory responsibilities to children and young people with SEN is provided from centrally retained funds (*see Core Services on page 2*). The services outlined below are available for purchase to supplement this core work.

Work with staff to help with management of troubling or challenging behaviour

- Consultation with school or setting staff and with parents/carers of children and young people
- Consultation and support groups for staff to assist the development of positive behaviour management skills
- Teacher coaching programmes for individuals, departments and faculties to develop staff skills in managing inclusive learning environments
- Consultation and staff support groups for NQTs
- Support to staff in the management of stress
- Support and advice specifically for support staff
- Training [see below]

Whole school work to assist the development of inclusive policy and practice

- Whole school behaviour auditing followed by a detailed development report to senior staff
- Observation and analysis of behaviour in key settings such as the playground, for example to develop strategies to reduce the incidence of bullying
- Help with policy development, curriculum differentiation and pupil grouping
- Support for the inclusion of children with diagnosed disabilities and other complex needs through staff development and advice
- Staff support, pre- and post-Ofsted inspection
- Support for schools in difficulty or 'causing concern'

Work with children and young people

- Individual counselling and other emotional support to children and young people
- Group work, for example to help the development of social competence in emotionally vulnerable or challenging pupils
- Direct individual work to support the access to the curriculum of pupils with disabilities which may include troubling behaviour, e.g. autistic spectrum disorders, Asperger syndrome, Down syndrome, Tourette syndrome or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Support to raise the achievement of children in public care

Work with parents/carers and staff of other agencies

- Mediation work to improve communication between parents/carers and school or setting
- Consultation, advice and support to parents/carers to assist in the inclusive education of individual children/young people
- Parents'/carers' workshops and support groups
- Liaison with other agencies e.g. CAMHS, Social Services, Connexions and Youth Service to develop coherent support packages for individual children/young people, particularly at points of transition

Training and staff development

Training can be offered to small or large groups of staff, including support staff. 'Off the peg' training is available [please see the *EPS Training Directory* or discuss with your EP]. Training particular to the school or setting's requirements can be planned following needs analysis and detailed discussion with staff. Examples of training include:

- Positive behaviour management in schools - reaching the hard to teach
- Including pupils with ADHD - strategies for teachers and classroom assistants
- Anger management and the prevention of conflict
- Strategies for the effective inclusion of pupils with complex needs
- Meeting the needs of children with needs on the autistic spectrum
- Helping children to manage anxiety - preparation for transition
- Emotional literacy in schools
- Understanding dyslexia
- Stress and coping in the lives of children and of school staff
- Meeting the needs of children in public care

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGE

Service charges per hour or part thereof on an annual subscription basis are on a sliding scale, as follows:

Level 1	6 hours	@ £75	£450
Level 2	12 hours	@ £63	£756
Level 3	18 hours	@ £59	£1062
Level 4	24 hours	@ £56	£1344

PAY AS YOU USE PRICES

Alternatively, services can be purchased on a 'pay as you use' basis, as follows:

Up to 6 hours	£80 per hour
6 hours and over	£70 per hour

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The range of services outlined above can be purchased by schools [and other settings such as PRUs], clusters of schools [e.g. Academic Councils], and by pre-school settings. Other potential purchasers of services are invited to enquire for details.

FURTHER DETAILS

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