



SEND Wolves Forum

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Back to School Edition

Upcoming Events

SEND Coffee Morning at The Way
Saturday 3rd October @ 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Free

The Way Youth Zone School Street, Wolverhampton, WV3 0NR

Join us on the 1st Saturday of each month at The Way Youth Zone. Chat with other SEND parents and carers while the kids roam free!

SEND Wolves Forum Coffee mornings

Cherry Street SEND and Sensory Hub WV3 0QW

Monday 7th September

Monday 19th October

Monday 11th November

Between 10:00am and 12:00pm

Graiseley Family Hub WV4 4NE

Wednesday 9th September

Wednesday 14th October

Wednesday 12th November

Between 10:00am and 12:00pm

Low Hill Family Hub WV10 9LZ

Friday 18th September

Friday 16th October

Thursday 19th November

Between 10:00am and 12:00pm

Enjoy a warm drink and Meet the team!

A Chance to Connect with other Parents and Carers. Share your SEND journey the highs and the lows, discuss your concerns and feedback.



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Welcome to the SEND Wolves Parent-Carer forum

Hello Everyone,

We hope you've all had some great family time and fun in the sun over the summer break.

SWF Parent Carer Survey

To kick off this newsletter we would like to invite you all to fill in our Parent Carer survey. As we said in our last newsletter we do a lot of Co-production (parents and carers working with professionals). This survey gives you the opportunity to voice your opinions, to tell us as a forum the things you would like to see us doing and how we can help you. Things to take back to our meetings with local authorities and professionals.

What would make a big difference for you as a family now?

How supported do you feel?

So please click the link below and have your say. Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/e/QVZWRu3L0c>

Finding Strength in EVERY Voice



SEND Reforms

The SEND reforms are national changes designed to improve support, experiences and outcomes for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The SEND reforms aim to help with:

- An improved SEND system
- A strengthened support system
- To ensure services listen and respond to feedback
- More opportunities to participate
And most importantly
- Better experiences for families
- IMPROVED outcomes for Children and Young People

How does this work in Wolverhampton?

In Wolverhampton this will be done using the **All Means All Inclusion Plan**. The plan will be overseen by a partnership approach, including shared governance and Co-production opportunities. Progress will be monitored routinely to make sure it stays on track. If any issues arise these will be dealt with transparently.

Representatives from the following areas will be included in this approach:

- Education
- Health
- Social Care
- Parents and Carers
- Children and Young People
- Community Partners



Find us at:

SEND Wolves Forum
Website



<https://tinyurl.com/4xdj6epf>

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Become a Member

<https://forms.office.com/e/B4z6iRuw5U>

Take part in our Parent
Carer Survey

<https://forms.office.com/e/QVZWRu3L0c>

Keep an eye out for our next Newsletter. See our Website for more information and updates.

Thanks for reading and we hope to see you soon!

Wolverhampton will work together with these groups to deliver the All Means All Inclusion Plan in four parts. These parts are:

- **Strengthening Inclusion**

Helping Children and young people by receiving support as early as possible. More support for young people improving progression into employment, training and independent living.

- **Access to Support**

Improving support including advice, coaching, peer to peer and whole setting approaches. Developing the EAH model (Experts at Hand), working with professionals and multi-agencies.

- **Inclusive Culture and Improvement**

To improve service through collecting data, evidence and continued learning from what Children, Young People and Families are telling us.

- **Co-Production**

To ensure lived experiences are helping to shape the changes that are being made. Working with Parent and Care forums, HY5! and other groups so that the voices of Children, Young People and Families are heard.

To help shape the changes in Wolverhampton families and Professionals are encouraged to:

- **Engage in Co-Production events**
- **Take part in surveys and consultations**
- **Share experiences and ideas**
- **Registering for working groups, future events and consultations**

Using all of this Wolverhampton will make the city more inclusive and a place where children and young people can thrive.

Find out more at the Wolverhampton local offer website.

<http://www.localofferwolves.co.uk>

Join our Forum and have your say.
Membership link

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/B4z6iRuw5U>

Area SEND Inspection

We are currently within the inspection window for an Area SEND Inspection, which means that at some point Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) will notify Wolverhampton that they will be carrying out an inspection of our local SEND arrangements. This inspection is not of an individual school, service or organisation. Instead, it looks at how well education, health and care services work together to support children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

What is an Area SEND Inspection?

Inspectors look at the experiences and outcomes of children and young people aged 0 to 25 with SEND and consider how effectively local partners identify needs, provide support and improve outcomes for children and families.

The inspection focuses on key questions such as:

- Do children and young people get the right support at the right time?
- Do education, health and care services work well together?
- Are the views of children, young people and families listened to and acted upon?
- Is support making a positive difference to children's lives and future outcomes?

These are the same questions that underpin Wolverhampton's ongoing improvement work across the SEND Partnership. Parents and carers are a vital part of the inspection process. Inspectors want to hear directly about families' experiences of SEND services in Wolverhampton, what is working well and where further improvements are needed. Inspectors will usually meet with the Parent Carer Forum and may invite families to share their views through surveys, meetings or discussions as part of the inspection process.

What happens next?

At the moment, no inspection has been announced. When a notification is received, information will be shared as quickly as possible with families, schools, practitioners and partner organisations. The inspection will also involve reviewing information, speaking to families and professionals, and exploring the journeys and experiences of children and young people with SEND.

Working together

Wolverhampton's SEND and Inclusion Partnership is committed to working alongside children, young people, parents and carers to continually improve services. The inspection is an opportunity to celebrate what is working well, understand where improvements are needed and ensure that children and young people with SEND receive the support they need to thrive.

If you want more information on the Inspection and how you may be involved please reach out to

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