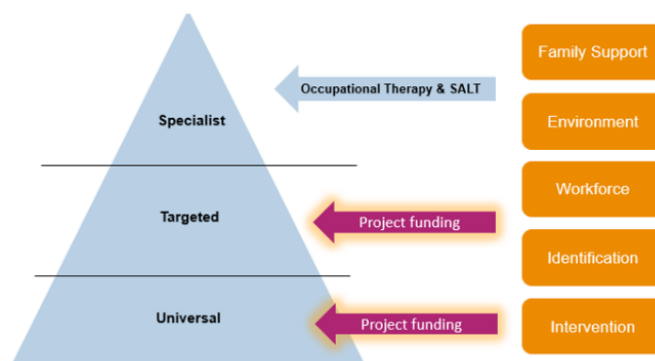


Language and Living: SEND Integration Project

What's the aim of the project?

The aim is for Speech and Language Therapists to work together with Local Authorities in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland to train staff from schools and early years settings – giving them the confidence and skills to identify and support children's sensory, motor coordination, language and communication needs.

The project is using the 'Balanced System' model: to look at how we provide effective support to children and young people across Universal, Targeted and Specialist levels. The model shows how we can work together to provide the right support, in the right place, at the right time.



Who is involved?

In the first phase of the project 11 Schools have signed up across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. For the second phase of the project 12 Schools have signed up across Leicester City, Leicestershire and Rutland.

What will happen?

The therapists are meeting up with each individual school or setting to get an idea of what support is needed. Then a programme of training will be delivered to staff, followed by visits to the schools and settings to give further advice and ideas.

A member of staff will become a Communication Champion to support the school / setting in putting the training into practice. Drop-in meetings will be set up with therapists to provide ongoing tips, ideas and advice to support the champions in keeping the messages going at the end of the project.

How are parents & carers involved?

Following a school / setting's involvement in the project, Parents and Carers are encouraged to give their views on what they already know is available to support children's sensory, motor coordination, language and communication development and what advice they would like to support their child at home.

Then another session is arranged in the school or setting to give ideas to use at home.

What will happen?

Project Timeline



For further information please contact your School / Setting or a member of the project team on lpf.languageandlivingsendproject@nhs.net.