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Schools Highlight Report



1. Introduction

This report is a record of all meetings over the past 12 months with Primary, Secondary and Academy schools. FVP have either been contacted by these schools to visit and have a meeting, or alternatively existing relationships which are being built on.

The Voyager School and Family Voice Peterborough have had a good relationship since before September 2014 when the SEND reforms came in to practice. Since then, FVP have been building relationships through Peterborough with schools attending conferences, SENCO forums and workshops.

Schools can approach FVP either by email, phone or in person at events. FVP can visit and meet the schools to discuss how FVP can help with their parental participation, parents evenings and coffee and cake meetings, as well as seeing how the schools are managing with the EHCP transfers and reviews, and the whole of the new SEND legislation.

2.0 FVP Visits

- a. Voyager
- b. Phoenix Special School
- c. SENCO cluster group
- d. SENCO Forum

3.0 Outcomes From Each Visit

- 3.1 Voyager – this was to discuss the School’s SEND information report and the outcomes and notes made from the Family Voice Peterborough (FVP) that was written in October, as well as discussing how to get parental involvement in the school’s SEND information report.
- 3.2 Phoenix Special School – FVP were invited in to attend the schools termly parent evening on both premises. This involved two parent reps from FVP attending (one on each premises) and speaking to parents and staff about what FVP do, how FVP can help as well as what FVP have to offer training wise to parents.
- 3.3 SENCO cluster group – this involved a rep from FVP to attend the cluster group which included schools from Ravensthorpe and Jack Hunt and talk about the outcomes of the report written about the School’s SEND information report. This included speaking to the SENCO’s about what is a must and should against a checklist created by FVP specifically looking at what is stated in the SEND Code of Practice that must be included. This also involved taking copies of each schools SEND information report together with any notes made a copy of the checklist so they could then go away and relook at theirs.
- 3.4 SENCO Forum – FVP were invited to have seat on the SENCO forum to be able to the parental view on what was being discussed. This involved being part of the first SENCO forum held on the 1st December 2016 where Sara Rourke was invited to talk to the attendees about the report and the findings. This led to a number of SENCO’s wanting feedback on their schools information report. Going forward, FVP will continue to have a seat and be involved in the SENCO events organised by the SENCO forum steering group.