

Early Years SEN Sub Group Meeting
Held at Lapage Primary School 01.03.06

Present:

Maggie McDonald	EYCS
Tricia Livesley	EB
Ruth Dennis	EB
Glenn Allgood	EB
Brian Dobson	Education Client Team
Vickie Mellor	Lapage Primary
Julie Groves	Netherlands Avenue
Rosemary Morgan	Hirst Wood Nursery School

Apologies: Pauline Chilvers, Sue Craig, Clive Halliwell, Dr Nicky Symons, Stuart Duxbury,

Matters Arising:

Parent Link Project ended in December 2005, therefore Shaheen Akhtar will no longer attend.

Teacher input to Children's Centres

Teachers' posts – nothing further to report at the moment.

Pupil Plot

More work is still required and there are major concerns around primary needs and ethnicity. Concerns were raised whether parents were aware that on completion of EA1 their child's details are held on an Education database.

Special Schools

It has been confirmed that the existing provision will close July 2008 and the new provision will open September 2008.

Deaf Provision

No decisions have been taken.

CC+ update

The deadline for the representation period was 24th February and no representation was made. Phil Green can use his executive powers to agree t the changes.

The next steps are to talk to staff directly involved.

Staff at Canterbury Children's Centre, Hirst Wood and Strong Close Nursery Schools are all employed by Education Bradford and will remain with the same establishment and same employer, however staff at Thornton, Thackley, Miriam Lord and Eastwood will have to go through the assimilation process. There are several options that would be explored i.e. If staff want to remain at the same school and the school can afford to keep them, staff may have a preference, or don't mind, there may be a shortfall which will be a great opportunity to bring new people and new experiences forward. Maggie is liaising with Darren Whitelaw (HR) re the assimilation process for staff.

Maggie and Jane Brown are looking at the children that will not move to reception this September, and what support they may need, some may require a transfer to CC+.

Early Years Inclusion Panel

The group are meeting this afternoon, to look at children's placements for September. The group will look at maybe offering a presentation to colleagues in LSS and EPs so that they are aware of the changes.

Continence Group

This is a working party with input from Early Years, Education Bradford and Health putting together a document for schools and EY settings about admission of children who are not yet toilet trained.

AOB

Educational Psychology input to Children's Centres - Maggie has rearranged a meeting with Kal Nawaz (Joint Services Manager) to discuss this and to feedback to Ruth.

CAF – 26 trainers were trained yesterday. A training needs analysis is being undertaken.

Future meetings

4 th April 2006	8.30 – 10.30am	Heaton Primary
8 th May 2006	1.00 – 3.00pm	Guard House Primary

Agenda Item for next meeting:

Visual Impairment.