# Education Strategy 2018-2021

Children and young people in Bury



Our ambition is for all Bury's children and young people<sup>1</sup> to have access to quality learning, make excellent progress and to be supported effectively throughout their learning journey.

Bury Council, early years providers, schools, colleges and other partners will work together supporting and challenging each other to drive improvements, check on success and build resilience across the partnership.

## Key facts:

- 45,130 children and young people aged 0-18 live in Bury and this is expected to rise by 6% by 2026
- 122 languages are spoken
- 4,859 school aged children have special educational needs and/or disabilities
- 15% of school aged children are entitled to free school meals
- xxx children under 5 use the Children's Centres across the five hubs
- There are xx childcare settings, 86 schools and two post-16 providers within Bury
- There are xxx children and young people in the care of Bury
- 94% of school leavers eligible for pupil premium are in education, employment or training
- 82% of Bury schools are judged good or outstanding
- The percentage of children and young people attaining the expected standard aged 5, 6, 7 and 16 was below the national average
- Exclusions from secondary schools are xx% above the national average
- Educational progress outcomes for children in care and those with special educational needs and/ or disabilities are lower than the national average

# **Our three Strategic Priorities**

### 1. Inclusion

Person-centred and inclusive learning opportunities are accessible for all

#### 2. Achievement

Rates of progress in learning improve for all, especially the most vulnerable

### 3. Transition

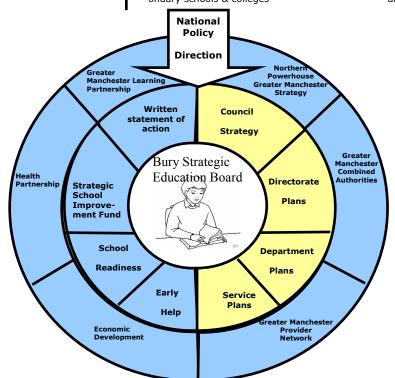
Effective transition at key points leads to successful, sustained engagement in learning and positive progression

# What we want to achieve

- Inclusive policy and practice in all schools reflects agreed expectations
- Early and accurate identification of barriers to learning, including social and emotional mental health needs
- Learning provision matches the needs of all children and young people
- Integrated services work collaboratively to promote inclusion
- Inclusion needs, at a range of levels, are met through partnership working
- No permanent exclusions
- Clear pathways to specialist services

- Sufficient, high quality early years provision up to age 5
- Improved number of children who are school ready at age 5
- Improved progress at age 16 so that more pupils are well prepared for post-16 education
- An autonomous school-led system with greater capacity to lead improvements together
- A good level of achievement for disadvantaged children and young people, especially those with special educational needs and/ or disabilities and those in
- Curriculum provision includes a range of pathways which match the needs and aspirations of young people in our secondary schools & colleges

- Transitions within the early years and into primary are effective by ensuring children and their families are well supported and ready for school
- Primary/secondary transition is effective, supported by a mutual understanding of curricular expectations
- Young people have the skills and knowledge required to make well informed choices on leaving school
- Young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities, in care or care leavers are in sustained education, employment or training
- Young people are prepared for working life
- Effective transition pathways are in place for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities; including preparation for adulthood



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	What we are going to do in 2018/19	How we will measure success
Inclusion	1.1 Increase the take up of 30 hours two year-old funding	1a)
	1.2 Deliver a pilot school readiness project and submit an application for a strategic school improvement fund to build on this work	1b) 71% of children attain a good level of development; gap to national for lowest 20% narrows to 1%
	1.2 Develop the inclusion partnerships as agents for change	1c) No increase to permanent and fixed term exclusion rates  1d) Services are aligned against the geographical inclusion partnerships  1e) Increased range of alternative provision planned and/ or in place
	2.1 Develop and improve pathways for physical activity and for speech, language and communication	2a) 2b)
	2.2 Deliver the strategic school improvement fund project 'Reducing barriers to accessing learning for disadvantaged pupils'	2c ) 83% of pupils reach the expected standard in the Year 1 phonics screening check; gap to national for free school meals narrows to 9% and gap between EAL children and other narrows to XX%  2d) Analyses of impact of pupil premium strategies are sharper recording impact against measurable success criteria
Achievement	2.3 Develop and implement a two year strategy for improving progress in mathematics across secondary schools	2e) Strategy is developed in partnership and actions agreed with measurable success criteria
	2.4 Further develop the school-led system to drive school-wide improvements; particularly in schools causing concern	2f) Analysis of borough-wide performance informs strategic planning 2g) School to school support plans for all schools of concern are quality assured as fit for purpose
	3.1 Deliver the strategic school improvements fund project Strand 3	3a) Greater understanding of primary and secondary curricular expectations; mapping tool for English developed
Transition	3.2 Further develop progression pathways including post-16 apprenticeships, traineeships and supported internships for vulnerable young people	3b) Xx% disadvantaged young people are in education, employment and training  3c) Attainment gap for young people on free school meals and their peers narrows to XX (Level 3???)
	3.3. Ensure information, advice and guidance (IAG) is accessible and available for vulnerable young people entering education, employment and training and that IAG is a priority for schools and colleges	3d) Information about post-16 and post 18 pathways is provided through a range of channels.  3e) Schools and colleges meet the expectations within the Careers statutory guidance as a minimum

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