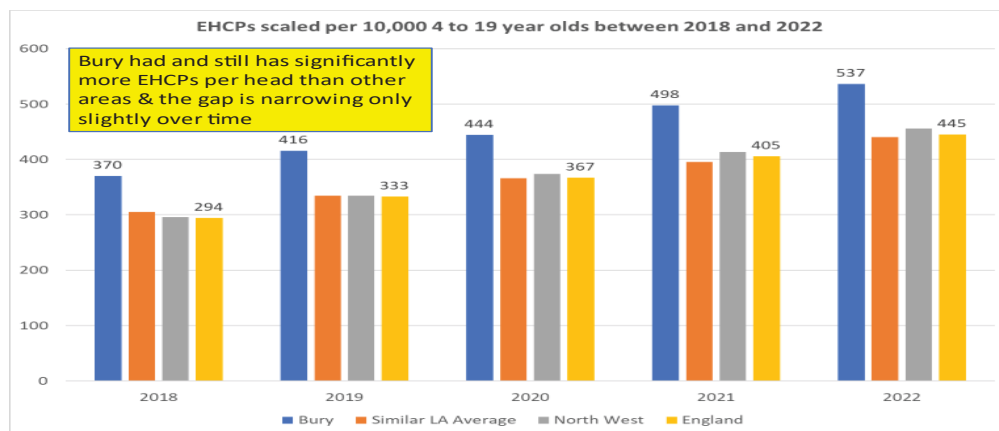


Meeting: Locality Board			
Meeting Date	03 April 2023	Action	Receive
Item No.	11	Confidential	No
Title	Graduated Approach		
Presented By			
Author	M.Kemp		
Clinical Lead	Rachel Lyons EP / M Kemp Strategic Lead SEND & Inclusion		

Executive Summary

Please see attached power point for fuller details pf the graduate Approach

Bury currently has a disproportionate number of more Education Health and Care Plans.



This would suggest that we are not identifying the need of children earlier enough and that we are potentially not supporting enough children at SEND Support that could be.

It could also suggest that because we are not supporting the Children/Young People early enough are we at risk that interventions are potentially more costly because they commence at a later stage greater and has greater.

Alongside this within the SEND Code of Practice it set out the need for setting, school, and colleges to be evidencing how they use the Graduated Approach to support children in terms of them meeting their full potential.

Bury has been relatively slow in terms of developing its own Graduated Approach but we are now at the stage of rolling out our own Graduated Approach tool kit as well as the association training and awareness.

We have been fortunate that we have been able to develop our Graduated Response by building the learning from the Salford and Tameside ones. The development of the Graduated Response was a good example of affective collaborative working with parents, carers and a range of relevant professional. It was led by our Education Psychology lead Rachel Lyons.

The Graduated Approach is a tool kit for professionals as well as a tool for parents. It set out what provision, intervention, and techniques that we would expect at the universal and target level of need prior to the need for more specialist intervention.

The element of the toolkit are strengths based and it is intended that it will grow overtime as we include examples of good practice examples.

The Graduated Approach is divided up into the early years, schools age and college age children.

It does need to equally include what is expect that school, setting and college offer in terms of therapeutic intervention as it does learn approaches and interventions.

In summary the Graduated Approach set out in one place what a parent / child can expect to be on offer to meet need at the universal and targeted level.

Through the better access and provision of support at the earlier point it should;

- reduce demand for more intensive and more costly provision
- reduce demand for more specialist service
- reduce impact for families thought earlier provision of support
- reduce the need for EHCP
- Increase number of children supported at SEND Support
- Increase number of children supported in Mainstream setting and schools

Recommendations

That the board supports and promotes the roll out of the Graduate Approach.
That the board support and promotes the roll out of the training and awareness around the local offer.

OUTCOME REQUIRED <i>(Please Indicate)</i>	Approval <input type="checkbox"/>	Assurance <input type="checkbox"/>	Discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	Information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Links to Strategic Objectives

SO1 - To support the Borough through a robust emergency response to the Covid-19 pandemic.	<input type="checkbox"/>
SO2 - To deliver our role in the Bury 2030 local industrial strategy priorities and recovery.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Links to Strategic Objectives	
SO3 - To deliver improved outcomes through a programme of transformation to establish the capabilities required to deliver the 2030 vision.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SO4 - To secure financial sustainability through the delivery of the agreed budget strategy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Governance and Reporting		
Meeting	Date	Outcome
N/A		

SEND Graduated Approach Co-Production Project

SEND Solution Meetings
January 2023

Dr Geoff Morgan, Senior Educational Psychologist

Dr Rachel Lyons, Deputy Principal Educational Psychologist

Bury and Salford Educational Psychology Services



Overview



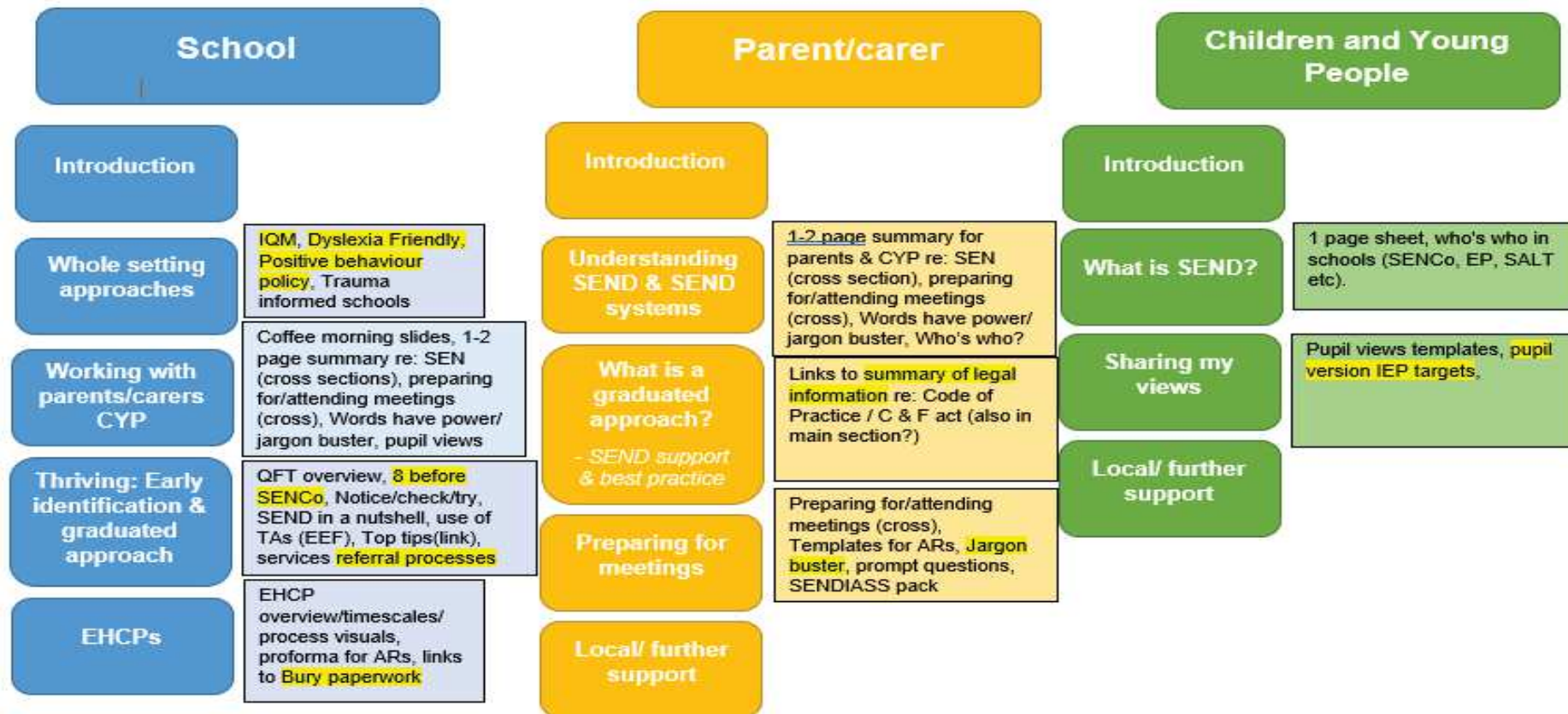
- **Aim:** To develop a **local SEND guidance toolkit to support Early Years settings, schools and colleges** in Bury to confidently identify and support children and young people's SEND . A video clip explaining the project can be found here: <https://youtu.be/q4cDgXwndZc>
- **SENCO Best Practice:** covering SENCO role and SEND processes inc. EHC Assessment & EHCP processes
- **Areas of Need:** 'Top Tips' for an inclusive learning environment. Recommended interventions across each of the four broad areas of need: Getting Advice (whole class/school), Getting Help (small group) and Getting More Help (individual)
- **Getting Risk Support:** covering topics such as self harm, exploitation, eating disorders, distressed behaviours
- Early Years, School Age (KS1-4) and Post 16 versions

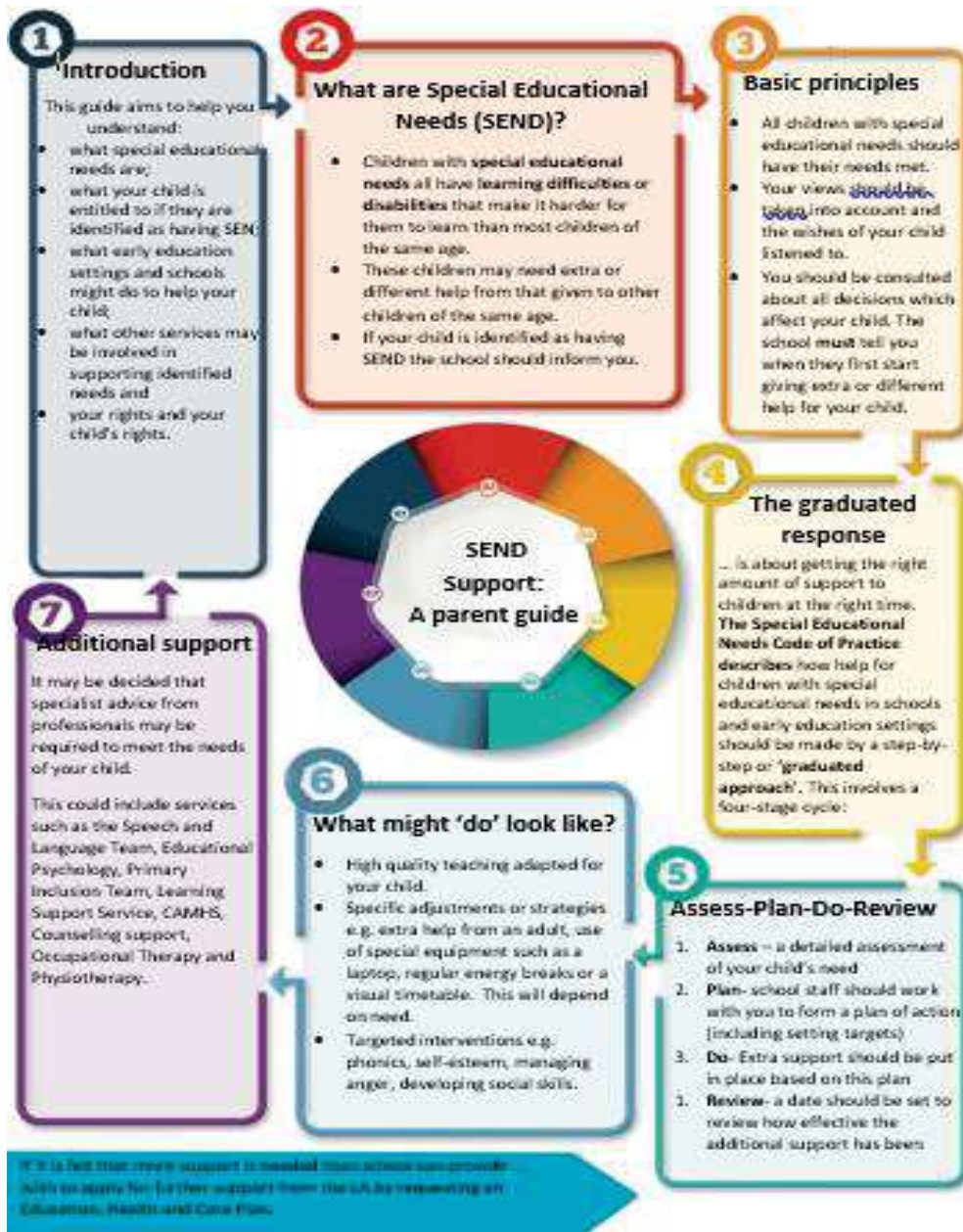
Where we are up to....



- Building the website and getting the content online. Prioritised school age version as has been a very lengthy process! (thank you for your patience)
- Example sections :
 - [Bury SEND Graduated Approach Toolkit | The Bury Directory](#)
 - [Cognition and Learning \(School Age KS1\) | The Bury Directory](#)
 - [Graduated Approach Toolkit – Resources for Parents and Carers | The Bury Directory](#)
 - [Person Centred Planning | The Bury Directory](#)
- Collating training dates so these are all listed in one place
- Web testing with parents/carers and SENCOs
- Amending EY Best Practice section to align with changes to paperwork/funding requests

Best Practice Overview





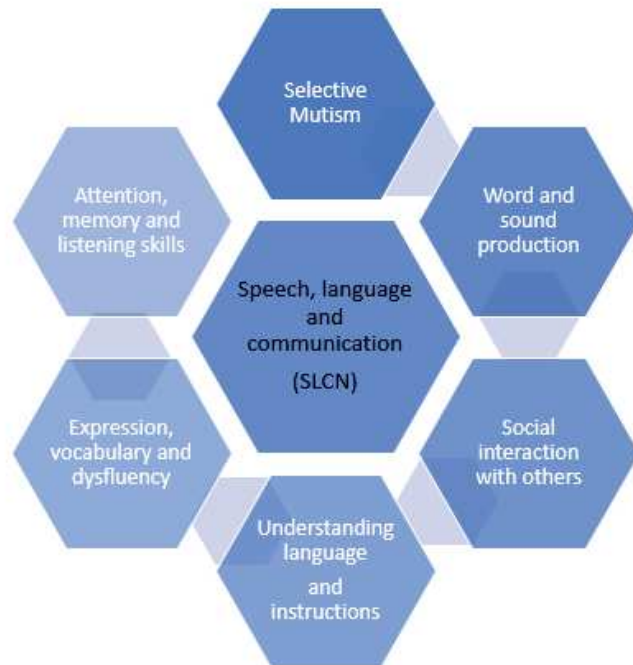
Parent/ carer section

Explains SEND Processes and systems & linked resources:

- One page summary of SEND Support (7 Minute Briefing)
- Two page document explaining the Graduated Approach Document
- A summary/ overview section of each broad area of need (C&L and C&I examples)
- Padlets for Early Years (online links)
- Questions to support SEN Support discussions
- Flow chart and timescales for EHC Assessments
- Words have Power document
- Video clips
- [Graduated Approach Toolkit – Resources for Parents and Carers | The Bury Directory](#)

Parent/ Carer – Need Overviews (x4)

SLCN Overview for Parents and Carers



Helpful strategies

All of these strategies will help to support speech, language and communication needs in your child and support their development. Your child may need support in more than

Receptive Language - Difficulty understanding language and following instructions

- ✓ Get your child's attention first by saying their name.
- ✓ Show and tell through objects, pictures and gestures.
- ✓ Keeping your sentences short.
- ✓ Use the contexts and familiar routines to embed instructions.
- ✓ Using the positive, e.g. 'Good walking' rather than 'don't run'.

Expressive language and vocabulary strategies

- ✓ Offering choices.
- ✓ Vocabulary games.
- ✓ Specific questions- Who? What? Where? How and Why can be tricky.
- ✓ Extending what your child has said by expanding and repeating.

Dysfluency - Disruption to the flow and timing of speech

- ✓ Model slowing down your own speech and pause between phrases.
- ✓ Give processing time and don't overuse questions.
- ✓ Maintain eye contact and show you are listening by giving your full attention.

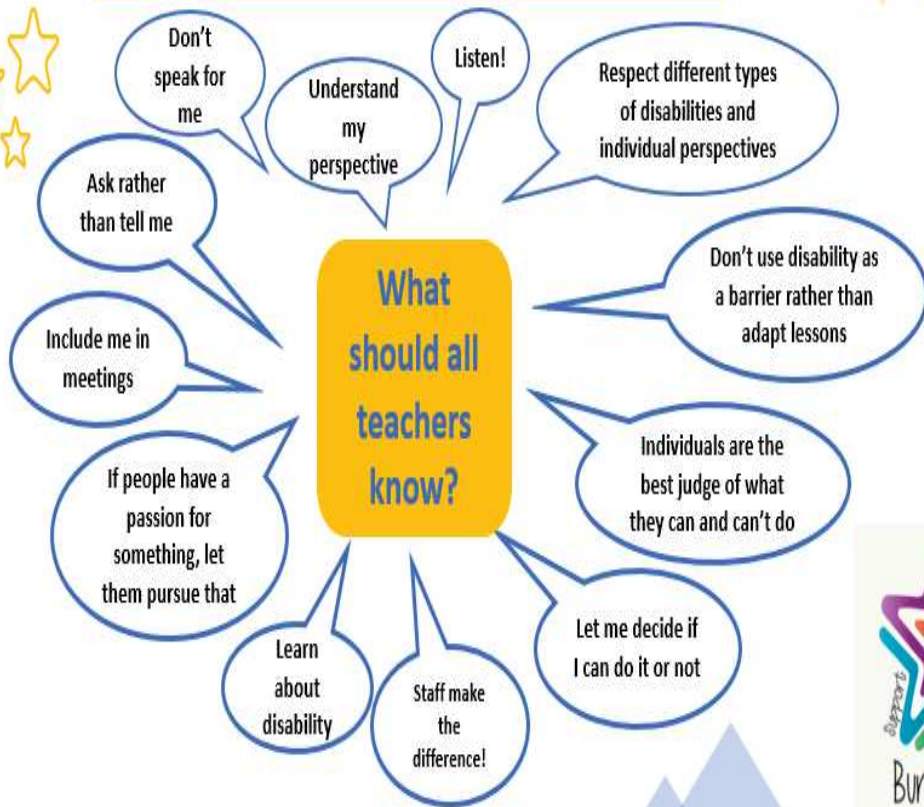
Attention, memory and engagement

- ✓ Try to use a quiet environment to increase attention.
- ✓ Follow your child's lead and talk about their interests.
- ✓ Praising and emphasise what they have done right.

Selective Mutism

- ✓ Avoid pressuring your child to speak and reassure them you know they find it hard.

BURY STARS – Views on the Graduated Approach



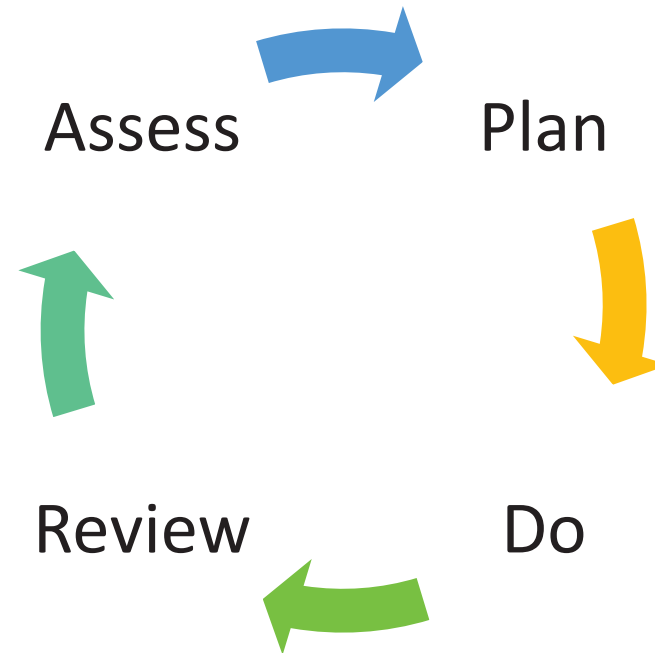
Children and young people's section

Area of the website for children and young people

- Key messages from Bury Stars
- A summary or overview section of each broad area of need – editable so it can be personalised (x 8: primary and secondary versions)
- Documents to support the sharing of views in meeting
- Person Centred Planning Tools

Working document

- Once launched, a **working group** will continue to review and update the content on the website.
- This is will be a continual process as the toolkit will remain a **'working document'**.
- Feedback on it's use will help to further improve it over time.
- **Who needs to be part of the working group?**



Launch and roll out....

- SEND Practice Learning Event – Two virtual sessions where toolkit will be demonstrated (both are the same):
 - 10th February 1-2pm
 - 15th February 1-2pm
 - To book a place email: edpsych@bury.gov.uk
- **What else will you find helpful in terms of the launch and roll out?**
- **What will help you to become familiar with the content and feel confident to use it in your schools?**





Share your views!

If you haven't already completed the project feedback form on your experience of the process – there is still time 😊

[Graduated Approach Co-Production. Project participation feedback \(July 2022\) - Google Forms](#)



Your time and ideas have been very valuable and much appreciated