



# Delivering Special Provision Locally

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Newsletter  
for SENCOs

## DSPL3 Useful Links

- ◆ The DSPL3 Website and Facebook page are now live.
- ◆ Please click here to view the [website](#)
- ◆ Please click here to view the [Facebook page](#)—We regularly post flyers for training courses so please check regularly so you aren't missing out.
- ◆ To view upcoming training, courses or workshops please [click here](#)

## Dates for the diary

### SENCO Forum dates:

- ◆ 12th & 13th May 2026

## DSPL3 Conference

- ◆ We are looking forward to seeing you at Fanhams Hall on Monday 2nd February. Those of you that have booked on should have already received an email with the agenda. Please contact Katie Algate if you have not received this.

## Transition Day

- ◆ Please reserve **Tuesday 5th May 2026** for our annual transition day. This year it will be held at Herts and Essex sports facility in Bishop's Stortford. This will allow ample parking for everyone, no need to sign in/out and no disruption to the school day or students. We have selected this date before the chaos of SATs and GCSEs commences.
- ◆ It is an expectation that ALL schools are in attendance to make this work most successfully and that every child that needs additional support is captured.

## HfL Dates (Teams 1:30-3:30pm):

- ◆ 10th March 2026
- ◆ 16th June 2026
- ◆ To book onto the three HfL briefings, please click this link [Booking Form](#)
- ◆ Please note that these are now fully funded. Even if you can't make all 3 dates, please sign up as you can request the recording afterwards.
- ◆ A copy of the SEND briefing is available on our [website](#) at the bottom of the page

## New FIF System

- ◆ SEND Academy are delivering two training sessions on the new FIF system which is replacing LHNf from April.
- ◆ Monday 23rd February: [Click here for Microsoft Teams link](#)
- ◆ Thursday 5th March: [Click here for Microsoft Teams link](#)

## EP Consultations

- ◆ Slots are available on 3rd March. Please email Katie Algate, DSPL3 Manager

## SENCO Clusters

- ◆ SENCO Clusters are returning. An email was sent on 15th January by DSPL3 Manager Katie Algate, please read this to familiarise yourself with what cluster you have been put in and how they will run.

## The Single Service Request (SSR) Form

- ◆ The SSR form on the Local Offer page has been updated, please [click here](#) to view
- ◆ Please use this method only from now on and not the old paper referral process.

## EY's Outreach/Referrals

- ◆ The EY's team will be supporting children with complex needs and EMERGING needs up to the end of Reception and therefore all referrals should be directed to them. Alison Lindsell will only be working with children from Year 1 and older.

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## Early Years Skills Bootcamps

- ◆ Step2Skills Early Years Skills Bootcamps have equipped individuals with the latest knowledge, practical skills, and innovative ideas to thrive in education and childcare settings. If you have a member of staff who would like to start their Skills Bootcamp journey, please [click here](#)

## Education Support Webinar

- ◆ On Wednesday 25th February at 1:30pm, Education Support will deliver a 30-minute webinar as they provide an in-depth understanding of how the charity can support educationalists, and the breadth of free help available.
- ◆ You can join the webinar here or email [shelley.woods@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:shelley.woods@hertfordshire.gov.uk) for the calendar invitation to be sent direct.

## DSPL Feedback Survey

- ◆ Please complete a short survey to help the Local Authority understand the impact of the work and support of DSPL3 in your area (you may need to copy/paste this into your browser <https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/587Z3M/>)

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