

Welcome to the New Academic Year

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Updates and news for Early Years setting SENDCOs, PSED and SLC Leads in Torbay Early Years settings

Updates from Torbay Portage Service

Torbay Small Steps Group

This parent/child toddler group will be offered to families both waiting for and receiving a bespoke Portage Home Visiting service. It will be held each Friday afternoon at The Beehive Children's Centre.

Torbay Portage Facebook Page



We now have our Facebook page for Portage family members only, to share information and support ideas.

Torbay Portage Leaflet

We have updated our leaflet, available on the Torbay Local Offer [21105_portagea5.pdf](#) (openobjects.com)



Getting support in settings

If you have concerns about a child's progress and would like some support, please email

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Following your contact by email, support can be arranged.

Typically, the following steps of support take place:

1. Telephone or Zoom interaction to plan support together
2. Setting SENDCO puts into action the agreed plan
3. If progress is persistently concerning a visit can be arranged

TORBAY COUNCIL



A Portage Service registered with the National Portage Association.



ALFEY Updates

Dates for submission and the panels can be found on [SEND Inclusion in Early Years - Torbay Council](#)

PLEASE remember the following MUST be submitted when making an application:

1. A parent's written consent
2. The child's latest ILDP
3. The family's latest ILDP review record

These things will illustrate robustly the Graduated Approach for SEND support.

SEND Training to look out for!

Book on ilearn



How to make a request for statutory assessment (EHCP)

21st September 2021

Writing SMART targets for better learning and development plans

1st October 2021

SENDCo Forum

10th November 2021

The 4 Areas of SEND Do you know them?

Cognition and Learning Difficulties

- Specific Learning Difficulties (SPLD)
- *E.G. Dyslexia, Dyscalculia,*
- Moderate Learning Difficulties (MLD)
- Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD)
- Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulty (PMLD)

Social, Emotional and/or Mental Needs

- Depression
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Eating Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Mental Health Issues
- Social Disorders

Communication and Interaction Needs

- Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)
- Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Sensory and/or Physical Needs

- Visual Impairment (VI)
- Hearing Impairment (HI)
- Multi-Sensory Impairment (MSI)
- Physical Disability (PD)



Thank you for volunteering to be part of the ALFEY panel

Have you seen the Autism Education Trust Early Years Bite-Sized Learning Tools?



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