

Dear Professionals,

In this communication, please find the following training and support with the booking/information links. Please find more information on each session, in this PDF document.

TOPIC	BOOKING/INFORMATION LINK
Date change to DSPL8 Herts for Learning Education SEND Briefing: New date: 04.07.2023	To book, email <a href="mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk">dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk</a>
Hertfordshire area SEND inspection - surveys for families and briefings for education staff/ professionals	See updates on pages 3-4
'Introduction to the SEND Local Offer website' – webinar	<a href="http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer">www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer</a>  See page 4 for webinar dates
Road to Year 7 Group	<a href="mailto:withyouth@hertsmindnetwork.org">withyouth@hertsmindnetwork.org</a>
Hertfordshire Speech, Language and Communication Needs Training	See various training on pages 6  <a href="mailto:SLCNTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk">SLCNTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a>
Hertfordshire Autism Training—Level 3: Autism 'Lite bites'	See various training on pages 7 & 8
DSPL8 Professionals Training Offer: Summer 2023 / Autumn 2023	<a href="https://dspl8.eventbrite.co.uk/">https://dspl8.eventbrite.co.uk/</a>
Local High Needs Funding Panel dates 2023-24	See page 10 for the 2023-24 LHNF panel dates

The DSPL8 Professionals communication can also be downloaded from our website via the following link: <http://www.dacorumspl.org.uk/online-resources-for-professionals-2/>

Kind Regards,

DSPL 8 Team – Carole Hassell, Ruth Mason & Ashley Fabray



## Date change to DSPL8 Herts for Learning Education SEND Briefing: New date: 04.07.2023

Due to the planned teachers strikes now taking place on 5<sup>th</sup> July, we have moved the SEND Briefing to Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July, and this will now be delivered as a remote session.

Anyone who had previously booked will automatically be booked on to this session and you should receive an email directly from HFL Education shortly. If you have not previously booked and would like to attend, please email [dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk) with the following information, as soon as possible so we can book you a place on this session:

- Name
- Name of school
- Email address



### **Free HFL Education SEND Briefing Summer Term 2023**

DSPL8 are fully funding termly Herts for Learning SEND Briefings.

These termly meetings will combine the HFL Education SEND Briefing, local updates and networking.

**The Summer Term SEND Briefing is on Tuesday 4th July 2023, 9:00am-1:00pm**  
Remote session via Livestorm

#### Agenda

09:30-11:30	SEND Briefing: Nat Fogden and Becky Rothwell, HFL Education Lead SEND Advisers
11:30-11:45	Coffee break
11:45-12:45	Ask SALI & V-SEND: Katy Alexander, SEND Information, Advice and Guidance Officer   Ask SALI   Inclusive Practice & Early Intervention Service   Integrated Services for Learning
12:45-13:00	DSPL8 updates: Carole Hassell, DSPL8 Manager & Ruth Mason, DSPL8 SEND Lead

Please email [dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk) to book your place and you will receive a confirmation email from HFL Education

#### **Dates & Times for 2023-24 SEND Briefings:**

Day	Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday	29/11/2023	09:00-13:00	Remote
Wednesday	13/03/2024	12:00-16:00	South Hill Centre, Hemel Hempstead
Wednesday	03/07/2024	09:00-13:00	Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School



## Hertfordshire area SEND inspection - surveys for families and briefings for education staff/ professionals

We received the call this morning to notify us of a Hertfordshire SEND Ofsted inspection, and our inspection response team has mobilised to start collating the data, evidence and audits that need to be sent to Ofsted this week.

Currently we have 2 things to share with you:

### 1. Area SEND inspection: survey information for parents and carers

We would be grateful if you could please share Ofsted's surveys with your families, as we would like as many responses as possible. There are 3 surveys available via the link, one for parent carers, one for young people aged 11 – 25, and one for practitioners, which your staff are also welcome to use to respond.

You can use this suggested text provided by Ofsted to share the surveys with your families:

*Dear parent/carers*

*Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) are visiting your area, as part of an inspection. We will be looking at arrangements for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).*

*We would like to hear your views about the support that your child receives. You can provide your views by completing an online survey at the following link:*

<https://ofsted.smartsurvey.co.uk/p/AreaSend/10266964>

*This survey is for parents/carers of children and young people with SEND aged 0-25.*

*Your views are important to us and will help inspectors understand your child's experience of the SEND arrangements within your area. The survey will close at **9am on Tuesday 4 July 2023**.*

*The survey is voluntary, and you do not have to take part. The responses will complement the evidence collected by inspectors during the inspection. We do not ask for your name.*

*If you complete this survey, you consent to the transfer of your information from SmartSurvey to Ofsted.*

*For more information about how CQC and Ofsted collect and use data during inspections please see their individual privacy policies: [CQC privacy statement](#); [Ofsted privacy policy](#)*

*Yours sincerely*

*Katherine Douglas  
His Majesty's Inspector*

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## Hertfordshire area SEND inspection - surveys for families and briefings for education staff/ professionals continued....

### **2. 'Prepare for SEND Ofsted Inspection' Staff Briefings**

We're running some online Ofsted readiness staff briefings, to reassure you about what will be happening over the next few weeks. Director of Inclusion and Skills, Hero Slinn, will take you through what will happen in this Ofsted Inspection, and what it will mean for you and your organisation. This is an opportunity for us to showcase what we are most proud of when working with some of our most vulnerable children and families. The briefing will focus on our areas of strength that we can emphasise with inspectors and what we are doing about our areas of development.

**'Prepare for SEND Ofsted Inspection' briefings are held on:**

Tuesday 27 June at 2pm – 3pm. [Click here to join the Tuesday briefing](#)

Thursday 29 June at 11.30am – 12.30pm. [Click here to join the Thursday briefing](#)

### 'Introduction to the SEND Local Offer website' – webinar

*The Local Offer website lets parents, young people and professionals know what special educational needs and disabilities services are available in Hertfordshire, and who can access them. There is so much more than that, too.*

*A friendly face from the Local Offer team will take you through what's on the website and how you can use it to find the right services and support.*

[www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer)

(For professionals AND parent carers) **Wednesday 5 July 7.30 – 8.30pm** [Click here to join the meeting](#)

(For professionals) **Wednesday 5 July 2 – 3pm** [Click here to join the meeting](#)

(For professionals) **Thursday 6 July 10am – 11am** [Click here to join the meeting](#)

*A quick note: The Local Offer website is different to Short Breaks (SBLO). We won't be going into detail about SBLO.*



Road to Year 7 Group

For more information or to register your interest, please email [withyouth@hertsmindnetwork.org](mailto:withyouth@hertsmindnetwork.org)

**Road to Year 7 Group**

4pm - 5pm  
every Monday  
Starting 24<sup>th</sup>  
July 2023

Open to  
all year 6's

Year 7

Helping to build confidence around starting secondary school

Create the toolkit needed to overcome any worries around starting secondary school

Exploring topics of change, anxiety, making new friendships, bullying & online safety

**withYouth**  
YOUNG PEOPLE'S Digital Wellbeing Services





**Hertfordshire Speech, Language and Communication Needs Training**

To register your interest and request a space please email us at: [SLCNTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:SLCNTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

Please put SLCN Training in the subject box

Please note these training sessions are not suitable for Early Years settings





## Hertfordshire Speech, Language and Communication Needs Training

“SLCN and learning – essential training for teachers by teachers”



### Free Training For Primary and Secondary Teachers



This training is 2 hours long and will be delivered in person at Hertfordshire Development Centre in Stevenage, or online via MS Teams.  
Please register your interest and we will confirm your booking

SLCN in the Primary Classroom	SLCN in the Secondary Classroom
<p>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 1:00 – 3:00pm at HDC</p> <p>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9:30 – 11:30 via MS Teams</p>	<p>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 1:00 – 3:00pm at HDC</p> <p>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 9:30 – 11:30 via MS Teams</p>

**This training will:**

- Unpick the role that language plays in learning
- Enable staff to identify barriers for CYPs around language and learning.
- Demonstrate evidence-based ways teachers can support learners with SLCN
- Develop teachers' practice and competencies so they can enable learners to access language in the classroom

To register your interest and request a space please email us at:  
[SLCNTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:SLCNTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk) please put SLCN Training in the subject box

Please note these training sessions are not suitable for Early Years settings

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## Hertfordshire Autism Training—Level 3: Autism ‘Lite bites’

### **Structured Teaching Approaches booking links:**



9.15-9.45 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSTASession1.eventbrite.com>

10.45-11.15 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSTASession2.eventbrite.com>

### **Sensory Circuit booking links:**

10.00-10.30 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSCSession1.eventbrite.com>

11.30-12pm Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSCSession2.eventbrite.com>

## Hertfordshire Autism Training

### Level 3: Autism ‘Lite Bites’

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023:**

- 2 topics with 2 time slots for each
- Each session lasts 30 minutes
- Register via Eventbrite

### Structured Teaching Approaches

The aims of the training are:

- To recognise why structured teaching is important to those with autism and social communication differences
- To understand how to implement structured teaching in everyday learning

9.15-9.45 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSTASession1.eventbrite.com>

10.45-11.15 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSTASession2.eventbrite.com>

### Sensory Circuits

The aims of the training are:

- To recognise what sensory circuits are
- To understand when to use sensory circuits
- To establish who would benefit from use of sensory circuits

10.00-10.30 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSCSession1.eventbrite.com>

11.30-12pm Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteSCSession2.eventbrite.com>

Suitable for practitioners working with children of any age where these interventions are developmentally appropriate.

[AutismTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:AutismTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk)



## Hertfordshire Autism Training—Level 3: Autism ‘Lite bites’

### Intensive Interaction booking links



9.15-9.45 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteIISession1.eventbrite.com>

10.45-11.15 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteIISession2.eventbrite.com>


### Anticipation Games & People Games booking links:

10.00-10.30 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteAGPGSession1.eventbrite.com>

11.30-12pm Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteAGPGSession2.eventbrite.com>

## Hertfordshire Autism Training



### Level 3: Autism ‘Lite Bites’

- 2 topics with 2 time slots for each
- Each session lasts 30 minutes
- Register via Eventbrite

### Intensive Interaction

The aims of the training are:

- What is intensive interaction?
- Who would you use intensive interaction for?
- Why is intensive interaction important?
- What does intensive interaction look like in practice and when would you use it?

9.15-9.45 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteIISession1.eventbrite.com>

10.45-11.15 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteIISession2.eventbrite.com>

### Anticipation Games & People Games

The aims of the training are:

- What are anticipation games? What are ‘People games’?
- Why do we play anticipation and people games?
- Examples of anticipation and people games

10.00-10.30 Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteAGPGSession1.eventbrite.com>

11.30-12pm Session please register at <https://HATLiteBiteAGPGSession2.eventbrite.com>

Suitable for practitioners working with children of any age where these interventions are developmentally appropriate.

AutismTraining@hertfordshire.gov.uk





Summer Term / Autumn Term DSPL8 Professionals Training

**\*Please note\* the Autumn 2023 Term Training and Eventbrite bookings will be advertised in the next professionals newsletter**

**DSPL8 Professionals Training Offer 2022-23**

Please find below the dates and times for training available to DSPL8 Professionals for 2022-23.

**Summer 2023 Term**

Autism Lead Network meeting	13.06.2023	13:00-14:30	Online
Early Years & Primary School Mental Health and Wellbeing (pastoral) Leads network	14.06.2023	13:30-15:00	Online*
Secondary Emotional Wellbeing & Behaviour Forum (pastoral) Leads network	18.05.2023	15:30-17:00	The Haven, DESC
Herts for Learning SEND Briefing	05.07.2023	09:00-13:00	Grovehill/Woodhall Farm Adventure Playground
SENCo Cluster Network: <u>Hemel Hempstead 1</u>	16.05.2023	13:15-14:45	Gade Community Room, Chaulden Junior School
SENCo Cluster Network: <u>Hemel Hempstead 2</u>	04.05.2023	09:15-10:45	Hobbs Hill Wood School
SENCo Cluster Network: <u>Berkhamsted</u>	17.05.2023	13:15-14:45	Thomas Coram CE School
SENCo Cluster Network: <u>Tring</u>	24.05.2023	13:00-14:30	Tring School
SENCo Cluster Network: <u>Secondary</u>	23.05.2023	09:15-10:45	DESC, Tenzing Road
<b>Woodfield Outreach Training:</b> Developing communication for pre/non-verbal Understanding & Using Zones of Regulation	19.04.2023 26.04.2023 & 03.05.2023	13:30-15:30 13:30-15:00 13:30-15:00	Woodfield School Woodfield School Woodfield School
Supporting Anxious CYP	10&17.05.2023	14:00-15:00	Woodfield School
Positive Behaviour Support for TA's	24.05.2023	13:30-15:30	Woodfield School
Supporting Independent Learning—Primary SEND	07.06.2023	13:30-15:30	Woodfield School

**Autism Lead Network Meeting**

Autism Lead Forums are sessions for those with autism lead responsibility to hear the latest developments and practice for autistic young people. There is also an opportunity for networking and sharing good practice between schools.

Book via Eventbrite: [www.dspl8.eventbrite.com](http://www.dspl8.eventbrite.com)

**Primary School Mental Health and Wellbeing (pastoral) Leads network**

Mental Health Lead Forums are sessions for those with mental health lead/deputy responsibility to hear latest developments, training and support for those working to improve and support well-being in schools for adults and young people. \*You do not need to book on Eventbrite, as a Microsoft teams link will follow from Public Health.

**Secondary Emotional Wellbeing & Behaviour Forum (pastoral) Leads network**

The Emotional Wellbeing & Behaviour Forum provides an opportunity for Secondary Pastoral Leads to hear the latest initiatives and developments. Whilst providing an opportunity for networking and sharing of good practice.

Book via Eventbrite: [www.dspl8.eventbrite.com](http://www.dspl8.eventbrite.com)

**Herts for Learning SEND Briefing**

SEND Briefings are designed for all SENCO's to ensure you are up to date with local and national SEND practice. With an hour for a specialist presentation on a SEND related topic and hour and half for Herts for Learning SEND practice on local/national updates. Slides of presentations are available after the event to those that have attended/registered. In non covid times we also ensure there is time for networking and catch up over coffee and cake.

Book via Eventbrite: [www.dspl8.eventbrite.com](http://www.dspl8.eventbrite.com)

**SENCo Network Cluster Meetings**

SENCO network meetings are an opportunity for SENCO's to share good practice ideas, problem solve together and spend some time with others. From time to time speakers can be arranged and there is an opportunity for issues raised to be highlighted within the DSPL in order to highlight need or seek resolution to common challenges. See the last page for a list of schools in each SENCo Network Cluster.

Book via Eventbrite: [www.dspl8.eventbrite.com](http://www.dspl8.eventbrite.com)

Website - [www.dacorumdspl.org.uk](http://www.dacorumdspl.org.uk)  
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Eventbrite: <https://dspl8.eventbrite.co.uk/>



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Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/dspl\\_dacorum/](https://www.instagram.com/dspl_dacorum/)

### Local High Needs Funding Panel dates 2023-24

The dates below are for the LHNF panel dates for 2023-24 and application submission dates:

Day	Date	Time	Papers due
Wednesday	20/09/2023	10:00	06/09/2023
Wednesday	18/10/2023	10:00	04/10/2023
Tuesday	21/11/2023	10:00	07/11/2023
Thursday	18/01/2024	10:00	04/01/2024
Wednesday	14/02/2024	10:00	31/01/2024
Thursday	21/03/2024	10:00	07/03/2024
Thursday	09/05/2024	10:00	25/04/2024
Wednesday	12/06/2024	10:00	22/05/2024
Tuesday	02/07/2024	10:00	18/06/2024

Please email password protected application forms to [dspl8lhnfpanel@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl8lhnfpanel@kls.herts.sch.uk)

### Educational Psychology Services Schools Phone Lines

**Educational  
Psychology  
Service**



## Phoneline

A 'quick queries' service for schools and settings

Please call if you would like to speak directly to an Educational Psychologist to discuss meeting the needs of children and young people or related whole school issues.

In the Spring term 2023 the school/setting Phoneline will be available on the following dates:

Date	Time	Area
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> January	2 – 4pm	West 01442 453043
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> January	2 – 4pm	East 07815 015980
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> January	2 – 4pm	West 01442 453043
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> January	2 – 4pm	East 07815 015980
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> February	2 – 4pm	West 01442 453043
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> February	2 – 4pm	East 07815 015980
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	2 – 4pm	West 01442 453043
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> March	2 – 4pm	East 07815 015980
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> March	2 – 4pm	West 01442 453043
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> March	2 – 4pm	East 07815 015980
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> March	2 – 4pm	West 01442 453043

You may wish to call the line in the area of your school/setting, but can use either. More dates will be released at the end of the Spring Term

Visit [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer) for services for children/ young people with SEND  
Find us on twitter @HertsEPS



Website: [www.dacorumdspl.org.uk](http://www.dacorumdspl.org.uk)



Email: [dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk)



Eventbrite: <https://dspl8.eventbrite.co.uk/>



Facebook: [www.facebook.com/dspldacorum](https://www.facebook.com/dspldacorum)



Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/dspl\\_dacorum/](https://www.instagram.com/dspl_dacorum/)

## ISL SEND Duty and SEND Advice Lines

### Statutory SEND Contacts

**SEND Resolution team contact email;** [SENDResolutions@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:SENDResolutions@hertfordshire.gov.uk) (all emails will be auto-forward)

**Assessment and custom care** [ehcneedsassessment@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ehcneedsassessment@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**Review provision, outcomes and placement:**

East Hertfordshire: [annualrevieweast@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:annualrevieweast@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

West Hertfordshire: [annualreviewswest@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:annualreviewswest@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**General EHCP queries:** [ehcp@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ehcp@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

**All Teams can be contact on: 01442 453300**

**9am – 5.30pm Monday - Thursday and 9am – 4.30pm Fridays**

### Ask SALI

Telephone: 01438 843 310 8:30am – 5pm from Monday to Friday.

SENCOs can also contact the team via email at [AskSALI@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:AskSALI@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

### Other ISL Contacts

What	When	How
ISL East Herts, Broxbourne, Welwyn and Hatfield	Monday – Friday: 9am – 5pm	<a href="mailto:EHBROX.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk">EHBROX.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a>
ISL North Herts and Stevenage	Monday – Friday: 9am – 5pm	<a href="mailto:NHSTEV.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk">NHSTEV.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a>
ISL Watford, Three Rivers and Hertsmere	Monday – Friday: 9am – 5pm	<a href="mailto:WAT3RIV.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk">WAT3RIV.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a>
ISL St Albans and Dacorum	Monday – Friday: 9am – 5pm	<a href="mailto:STADAC.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk">STADAC.ISLTEAM@hertfordshire.gov.uk</a>
Educational Psychology Service (parents only)	Wednesday: 2pm – 4.30pm	01992 588 574
East Attendance Duty Team (schools only)	Monday – Friday: 9.30am – 4pm	01992 555 261
West Attendance Duty Team (schools only)	Monday – Friday: 9.30am – 4pm	01442 454 778
<b>SEND Specialist Advice and Support Services (term time only)</b>		
Specific Learning Difficulties	Thursday: 9.30am – 12pm	01442 453 920
Speech, Language, Communication and Autism needs	Tuesday and Wednesday: 1.30pm – 4pm	01442 453 920
Early Years	Wednesday: 9.00am – 12pm Thursday: 1.30pm – 4pm	01442 453 920
Physical and Neurological Impairment	Monday: 1.30pm – 4pm	01442 453 920

