

Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) -

A New Approach

Many parents and carers will be aware that the Government has recently introduced some significant changes to arrangements to support children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND). The new system is outlined in the new *SEND Code of Practice* which was published in July 2014.

As part of the new Code of Practice schools are required to publish an *SEN information report* detailing their arrangements for supporting pupils with SEND. We are currently working hard to implement the recent changes and our information report is underway, so please check back soon for further details!

From September 2014, all local authorities must also provide up to date information about the range of services available in their area and include them in an information directory called the *Local Offer*. The *Local Offer* aims to provide information about all the services and support available to children and young people with SEND. You can find the Dudley Local Offer at:

<http://www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/localoffer/>

For further information about the new arrangements please see the links below. If you have any concerns about the changes and how they may affect you and your child please contact one of our SENCos [Mrs J. Sprague](#) or [Mrs G. Dunckley](#).



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Free and impartial advice is also available at any time from *Dudley Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service* (SENDIASS - formerly known as Dudley Parent Partnership Service).

Dudley SENDIASS

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