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The Lincolnshire Social Communication Outreach Team – 2014 winners

The Outreach Team was commended for establishing such an excellent service to a huge area in such a short time. Based upon the discussions gathered in the review report and self-audit, a very high standard has been set by the service across the county. This service provides a blueprint for others wishing to establish an effective outreach provision for all types of school.

Lincolnshire Social Communication Outreach Team was formed in 2011 with Pathfinder funding from Lincolnshire County Council. The team consists of staff from specialist schools and educational support services. All staff are based in their own schools or service and work part-time for the Outreach Team. This enables a balance of practical work in educational settings and realistic support work based on best-practice principles.



The remit for the team is to provide support to individual children and young people; specialist training and advice to schools and settings and telephone/email helpline advice for schools, parents and older students. The team also organises and delivers training packages including EarlyBird, Elklan and regional conferences such as the annual Lincolnshire Autism Conference.

“Without the support and advice... I know we would not have survived...and our son would not be where he is now.”

Parent of a nine-year-old

Between September and December 2012, 814 pupils and their families were supported and a total of 377 professionals accessed training delivered by the team.

“It was brilliant to attend the course and to see the practical application in our classrooms.”

Teacher

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