

It's here! The new **Kirklees Local Offer** website is now live!

What is it?

The Local Offer is a really useful website for children and young people (0-25 years) who have special educational needs and /or disabilities (SEND) and their families.

What does it do?

It provides families with information and advice and tells them what services they can expect to find in the local area and how to access them.

What kind of information is on the Local Offer?

The Local Offer pulls relevant information and services relating to SEND into one place, including:

- Education
- Early Years
- Health and wellbeing
- Social Care
- Education, health and care plans (EHCPs)
- Activities and fun things to do
- Preparing for Adulthood
- Travel and transport
- Financial Support
- SEND News and Updates (coming soon)

How is the Local Offer developed?

The Local Offer continues to be developed in partnership with parents and carers, children and young people, services across education, health, social care and the voluntary sector.

How can it support you?

In response to our engagement work with school staff, we have created a 'SENCo and professionals' section on the Local Offer. We continue to work with SENCos to ensure that this area contains the resources school staff require to help them to support families.

The Inclusion Support Offer (ISO)

Supporting the 'SENCo and professionals', the Inclusion Support Offer launched on Monday 29 March. This service gives the opportunity to talk through a child or young person's situation to explore outcomes and options for providing support at the earliest opportunity. The ISO will help provide early advice, guidance, support and confidence to individuals working with children and young people with SEND using a strengths-based approach.

For more information, please visit [Local Offer: SENCo and Professionals Page](http://www.kirkleeslocaloffer.org.uk):

How can you help us?

The Local Offer is developed and improved in response to the feedback we receive from those who use it so we need to make sure as many people know about it as possible.

Please could we ask for your support to share the Local Offer flyer through your channels and raise awareness that the site is there for families and those professionals who support them.

Thank you

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