Education Psychology



Audience

Secondary, Early Years providers and colleges

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Buy-in period

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The Barnet Educational Psychology Team provides

psychological services to children and young people from two to twenty-five years old. EPs work in partnership with early years settings, schools and colleges to meet a diverse range of needs and improve outcomes for young people with additional needs.

Educational Psychologists (EPs) may work directly with young people and/or key adults in their lives. Their approach is personcentred and builds on people's strengths to develop creative and effective ways forward in complex and challenging situations.

EPs provide specialist assessment and consultation, increasing knowledge and skills and promoting inclusion and psychological well-being.

EPs use a consultation model which is evaluated on an assess-plan-do-review cycle with other professionals and parents or carers.

A key focus is to help support, empower or inform professionals and parents or carers through applying evidence-based and research-informed psychology and a collaborative approach.

EPs work effectively to support:

- individual children or young people
- groups or classes
- whole schools or organisations

Activities include:

- consultation and problem solving with school staff, parents and children
- psychological assessment and interventions
- groupwork and delivering interventions
- training and school development
- critical incident support

TRADED SERVICES TO SCHOOLS

Specialist activities include:

- resilience programmes
- therapeutic interventions
- supervision and reflective practice for staff

All Barnet EPs are Chartered (or eligible for Chartered status) by the British Psychological Society (BPS). They are all registered with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC). Excellent practice is assured through relevant professional associations and quality standards. All EPs receive regular psychological supervision and continuing professional development. The team of EPs has experience of and completed training and qualifications in professional applied educational psychology.

Feedback from schools 2020

"Our educational psychologist is knowledgeable and is able to provide a personalised and deeper understanding of the child's strengths and needs."

"The educational psychologist has allowed us to use our time effectively by being flexible in their approach and by providing a range of different work such as training, consultations and staff drop ins."

"Brilliant service. We have always been blessed with very understanding, professional, intuitive and supportive EPs. Thank you".

"Our school EP is exceptional and works hard to engage with all staff. She has worked with individual children, met with families, supported staff and carried out INSET"

Charges

Package	Cost
3-5 days per year	£617 per day
6-15 days per year	£591 per day
16+ days per year	£581 per day

Please note that demand for the EP service is typically very high and exceeds the staffing available. Therefore we recommend booking early to avoid disappointment. We endeavour to provide continuity of service, however due to a national shortage of Educational Psychologists this may not always be possible. Where settings request a service outside the usual commissioning cycle this is associated with increased delivery costs and will be charged at the day rate of £642.