

# Support for children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND)



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Do you have a child with special educational needs or a disability? Did you know that there is a website that contains information about support and services in the local area? This leaflet contains links to some examples of information that you can find on the SEND Local Offer website for Kingston and Richmond.

## **SEND Local Offer**

[www.kr.afcinfo.org.uk/local\\_offer](http://www.kr.afcinfo.org.uk/local_offer)



## **Special Educational Needs or Disability Register**

All local authorities must have a register of children with special educational needs and disabilities in their area. It helps them plan services and communicate with children, young people, parents and carers. When you register you can also apply for a Disability Awareness Card.

**Search Local Offer for:** [Register](#)



## **SEND Parent Carer Engagement Team**

Makes sure that parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities have a say in the services provided for them.

**Search Local Offer for:** [Engagement](#)



## **SEND Parent Champions**

A group of parent and carer volunteers who are supported to inform other families about useful services in their area.

**Search Local Offer for:** [Champions](#)



## SENDIASS

A free, independent and impartial advice and support service for parents and carers and young people over the age of 16 with special educational needs and disabilities.

**Search Local Offer for: [SENDIASS](#)**



## SEND Parent Carer Forums

Independent groups run by parents for parents or carers of children and young people (aged 0 to 25 years) who have any form of special educational need or disability. There is a forum for Kingston (KPCF) and a forum for Richmond (RPCF).

**Search Local Offer for: [KPCF](#)**

**Search Local Offer for: [RPCF](#)**



## Short breaks

Short breaks provide disabled children and young people with free activities and a chance to be with friends while their parents and carers get a break from caring.

**Search Local Offer for: [Short Breaks](#)**



## Activity Fund

Money that families can claim each year towards schemes or items to help children and young people with disabilities have activities to do.

**Search Local Offer for: [Activity Fund](#)**



## Allowances and benefits

Information about disability and carers benefits and support to help you claim.

**Search Local Offer for: [Benefits](#)**



## **Inclusion development officers**

Help children and young people who have disabilities to take part in activities, and increases leisure and sports activities arranged around the needs of children and young people.

**Search Local Offer for: [Inclusion](#)**



## **Parent Carer Needs Assessment (PCNA)**

An assessment to find out what parents and carers need to enable them to carry on caring.

**Search Local Offer for: [PCNA](#)**



## **Young carers and siblings**

Support and activities for children and young people who help look after someone else.

**Search Local Offer for: [Siblings](#)**



## **Childcare brokerage or childcare**

Helps families understand the childcare options for their child if they have additional needs and can help families find suitable childcare.

**Search Local Offer for: [Brokerage](#)**



## **SEND Transport**

Some children may be eligible for home to school transport or independent travel training (ITT).

**Search Local Offer for: [Kingston SEND Transport](#)  
[Richmond SEND Transport](#)**

