

## Barnet Transition to Reception Autism Support Plan

The Autism Advisory Team (AAT) will be supporting autistic pupils starting mainstream reception in September 2021. The support package comprises of 2-3 visits.

## Visit 1

- Online
- With SENCO, class-based staff, parents/carers and (if they are involved) the BEAM\* Team.
- Creating / updating a support plan, including parent/ carer views.
- Jointly agree a way to capture the pupil's views

## <u>Visit 2</u>

- In person (depending on Covid 19 restrictions)
- Observation with SENCO
- Meeting with SENCO, class based staff and other professionals (where they are involved).
- Updating learning plan to include: predictability; emotional support; sensory support; communication and motivation and preferences. Including pupil's views.

## Visit 3

- Where the child is likely to need additional ongoing support, they may need a third visit. During this visit the advisory team will observe how previously agreed supports are being implemented and agree changes as necessary.
- During this third visit the AAT, staff and parents / carers will meet to carry out a Social Communication, Emotional Regulation and Transaction Supports (SCERTS) based assessment.

Staff supporting reception children will be also be offered the following :

- An online Autism Training Course on the following topics:
  - Introduction to Autism
  - Structured Teaching (anxiety and predictability)
  - Communication (both ways)
  - Sensory differences
- Half termly informal drop in support sessions for reception staff

*Exact criteria for needing a third visit are described in the Working with the Autism Advisory Team* 2021 – 22 document.

\*BEAM : Barnet Early Autism Model