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PROGRAMME UPDATE

Keeping stakeholders, parents and carers informed about Dudley's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Improvement Programme

Dudley SEND Network

This is now up and running with the first virtual SEND Network training sessions for SENCOs and the SEND Team taking place in mid-November. These were introduced by Helen Ellis, then a meet the new permanent SEND Team session took place,



followed by an update on all SEND service processes reviewed and changed between November 2019 to November 2020 and finally inclusion resources from the Whole School Send NASEN website were shared which are very practical training resources for schools.

Attendance at the sessions was very high as four sessions were delivered to enable as many of the 85 Dudley schools signed up to attend. The next Network Training sessions are on 18th and 20th January 2021. Invites will be sent out by the LSS this week – any setting wishing to join if not done so yet can contact Alicia Simpson or Louise Shackleton on the LSS site on Revolution.

The next development for the Dudley SEND Network to be launched is the Dudley SEND Inclusion Portal in January 2021, followed by the Dudley SEND Toolkit in May 2021 all part of the LA Offer to enable the SEND service, the Support Services and settings to be able to have a closer working relationship so that the highest of outcomes can be achieved by the young people of Dudley.

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