



NAVIGATING THE SEND JOURNEY FOR BETTER OUTCOMES TOGETHER!



At A Glance Founders Message:

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A fantastic first QTR saw a massive increase in new parent members, which enables us to EMPOWER more parents to advocate efficiently for their CYP. We have integrated our accredited CPD Parent Training offer into that empowerment, which is proving a great success! With over 300 parents attending this period.

Our Members inform us that **Parental wins** are at an all time high including successes with:

Tribunals, EHCP Needs Assessments, Reasonable Adjustments and Accountability from Schools and Local Authorities!!!!!

Reflecting on our first year 2024

Committed to the ease the burden for parents navigating the SEND Journey, myself and Sam Ryan further developed our resources to ensure that they were not only easy to follow, visualise and action, we ultimately broke down the processes associated to SEND, so you as a parent didn't have to. We developed letter templates for every scenario, visual info graphics for easy SEND Law interpretation & empowerment, progressing to training for every step within the SEND process, up to and soon to include Tribunal.

We celebrated our children & young people with involvement & competitions within the group, like the Young Artist SEN PSG competition, we teamed up with Oodie to offer your CYP the opportunity to win a Weighted Blanket and bespoke lounge wear, and so much more. We empowered our parents with our "I am" badges to wear at school meetings, we gave away branded cups, free 1:1 training & mentorship prizes to mark the launch of our user friendly website! It is now coming up to Easter and the momentum keeps going whilst we gear up to give away 10 free sensory bags full of lots of stimulating

items. Be sure to view all tagged group posts so that you don't miss out on chances to win prizes in the coming months!

We created and developed the website from the fantastic support received from our group members, notably the back office stats show us how that is being used, this proves that it was was the right move because it evidenced that it was much needed to reach a wider SEND Parental audience. Our Website launched in December 2024 and we are all extremely **PROUD!**

We developed our 1:1 Mentor Support offer, as cheaply as we possibly could in order to ensure that no parents 'vulnerability' was maximised upon with inflated "advocacy" prices! Although all of our empowerment and group resources are FREE, we do recognise that sometimes you may need that little extra, and our offer is to ensure you receive that without having to 're mortgage' or put yourself into financial hardship!

Ourselves and our team continue to develop their professional knowledge where possible and achieving IPSEA level 1,2 & 3 in SEND Law Training was achieved by a number of our team, which can only benefit you - our wonderful parent members, because every situation is unique and we need to be prepared for anything!



Media Coverage:

We also hit the news: albeit 'local' we aspire for national coverage! Maybe - you could help us with that?

2024 We were awarded with 'The Children & Young People' volunteer award by Kim Leadbeater MBE!



On behalf of **Sam Ryan** and myself, we would like to thank our selfless, remarkable team of SEND parents who support us with the running of the group, without whom we would not be where we are today so, from the bottom of our hearts - **THANK YOU!**

Your voice!

Starting with our parental member survey and our training feedback questionnaires, it would seem that we are excelling at what we do! With documented zero room for improvement, whilst scoring 5/5 in every area: knowledge, professionalism, deliverance, resources & training rest assured we do not rest on this and we are constantly striving for improvement. We as a team, are absolutely blown away by this and appreciate every single one of our members for their time in completing this. Rest assured we do not stop there there is always more to do and more to learn from. Our google reviews can be viewed here too! They are remarkable!!

Our <u>website</u> visitors and our <u>FaceBook</u> group members are growing at a expediential rates daily. This to us is fantastic news, every parent that joins us to access our renowned support and over 250 free resources means that a potential CYP can have their needs met sooner rather than later! This fills us with the upmost joy. This in a nutshell - is why we exist. We were YOU once upon a time with children struggling to access their education complete with declining mental health. You don't have to be anymore because we have totally got your backs! To access our FREE training offer and other training provision visit: here



A spotlight on our training offer accredited by CPD

Our Website

Our <u>website</u> has revolutionised the way parents communicate with authorities and professionals, its usage is expediential and the organic hits on our <u>resource hub</u> speaks volumes.

Who We Are

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The FUTURE We are looking to the future so positively, knowing that we continue to make an impact on you and your family indirectly. We will be looking in the next QTR at Podcasts, guest speakers, app's and much much more - stay tuned!!!!