

How to refer

if you are referring on behalf of a parent/carer, you must have their consent. Please complete the referral form.

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BRADFORD DISTRICT

Families SEND Support Team



Bespoke programmes and workshops designed to guide, support, and empower families who have children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

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A Portage Service registered with the National Portage Association





The **Families SEND Support Team** aims to listen, understand, and help you develop your skills and knowledge in responding to your child or young persons additional support needs.



What do we offer?

Portage

Portage is an education service for pre-school aged children with additional support needs and their families. We work in partnership with parents/ carers to identify what a child can do, celebrate their strengths and plan play activities to help achieve next steps in learning. We work with other agencies involved and support transitions into education settings.

We offer regular Portage home visits and Portage Education groups.



Parent/carer workshops

Our workshops are individual sessions aimed at parents and carers who have a child or young person aged 0-25 with SEND.

Some of the topics include supporting behaviour, communication and understanding and responding to sensory needs.

Early Bird and Cygnet

Early Bird and Cygnet programmes provide parents and carers with the opportunity to develop their understanding of autism and looks at practical solutions to support their child. It also gives parents and carers a chance to meet and connect with other parents who share similar experience.

Early Bird is an 11 week support programme for parents and carers of children aged 0-5 who either already have a diagnosis of autism or are on the autism assessment pathway.

Cygnet is a 7 week support programme for parents and carers of young people aged 5-18 years who have a diagnosis of autism.

Following on from Cygnet parents then have the opportunity to attend additional sessions on sleep, supporting siblings and puberty, sexual wellbeing and relationships.

