

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



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

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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/Engagement

SEND Parent Champions

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

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/SENDParentChampions

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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/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).

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/KPCF

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/ShortBreaks

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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/ActivityFund

Allowances and benefits

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

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/Inclusion

Parent Carer Needs Assessment (PCNA)

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

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/PCNA

Young carers and siblings

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

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/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.

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/Brokerage

SEND Transport

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

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/KingstonSENDTransport

kr.afcinfo.org.uk/RichmondSENDTransport