

## **PARENT CARERS CORNWALL**

This report summaries the work Parent Carers Cornwall have been involved in since the last Carers Partnership Board meeting.

103 meetings took place over this period with Education, Health, and Social Care. The meetings were held both locally and nationally to gain parental feedback to ensure services were fit for purpose or improvement was required.

We have continued to be involved in the work for the Neurodevelopment Pathway, meeting regularly with leads to ensure the pathway is fit for purpose for families.

On December 1<sup>st</sup> an online Neurodiversity Hub webpage was launched on Parent Carers Cornwall website, this holds information and advice for both families and professionals. It was produced with the support of carers and young people working with leads from Cornwall's NHS.

## Parent Carers Cornwall

Parent Carers Cornwall who are leading on the Autism in School programme which is funded by NHS England have now completed delivering phase 1 of the programme working with eleven secondary schools across the county. We have now commenced phase 2 and will be working with a mix of primary and secondary schools to deliver training. 25 primary schools have currently requested training.

We delivered several wellness sessions for parent/carers of children with SEND in 2023 to ensure parents look after their own wellbeing and emotional health. These will continue through 2024.

We have held workshops on a range of subjects with Joanna Grace and Tigger Pritchard. Evaluation from parents' feedback was good. We will be holding further sessions with both facilitators in the coming months.

The Parent Carers newsletter has continued to be welcomed by both families and those professionals working on the frontline with families. E-bulletins are also sent out monthly.

We will be continuing to work in partnership with the Time to Move programme who deliver activities to those children on free school meals. Parent Carers Cornwall ensures that all relevant information is collected for children through contact with families and passed to service providers. This allows services to make sure everything is put in place for the child to attend fully inclusive activities.

ON January 15<sup>th</sup> we held a SEND Update information event for families with many members of the Local Authority in attendance, feedback was very positive from both families and professionals.

## Up and coming work:

We are holding an information event at the Eden Project in March for parent/carers and currently have over 20 services attending.

Additional workshop sessions with Joanna Grace will be held in February over two days.

We will continue to deliver training workshops to parent/carers on a range of areas as requested by families.