

The Looked After Children Education Achievement Team

LACEA Continues!

We are pleased to inform you that the LACEA Team have been funded to continue to further embed work carried out in 2005-06. Over the next year the team will work closely with key practitioners to:

- **improve information sharing and pupil tracking systems**
- **Ensure good quality personal education planning**
- **Provide training for key professionals**
- **Continue to improve the communication between key agencies involved with LAC education.**

The Team looks forward to further developing its work with all professionals involved in the care and education of Lambeth's looked after children.

Review of LACEAT 2005-06

There is much for us to celebrate after a very positive first year of work. Some of the highlights of the previous year's work include:

- Education Pledge to LAC
- 1st conference for Lambeth designated teachers
- Positively received training for professionals
- Launch of Understanding Education Guide for social workers
- Accessible and informative LACEA website
- Positive feedback from other councils about the quality of our information for professionals.

PEP Review Sheet

LACEAT have developed a new PEP Review form to assist colleagues from social care with the PEP review process. The form should be used to record the outcomes of a review meeting and then used to update the main PEP document. This form, along with a full range of support materials developed by LACEAT, can be viewed on our website at:

<http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/Services/EducationLearning/LookedAfterChildrenEducation/LACEASchools.htm>

2006-07 Training Update

Governors

LACEAT have developed a short training programme for school governors. Governors play a crucial role in promoting the needs of looked after children through effective policy and planning, monitoring and evaluation. The team are delivering 2 sessions this term, on 12th and 29th June 2006. To reserve a place please contact Pat Petch at Lambeth Governor Support on 020 7926 9636.

Effective Personal Education Planning

Training will continue until March 2007 and dates for extra PEP training sessions have already been set for July 2006. These training sessions have been very positively received by attendees and we would encourage those Lambeth teaching staff and social workers who were unable to attend the previous sessions to take the opportunity to improve their understanding in this area. **A letter re dates, times and venues will be sent separately.**

PEP Quality Audit

The LACEA team are conducting an audit of PEPs. The purpose of this is to review the quality of information captured (which will be specific focus of future joint inspections of Lambeth CYPS) and to assist us with developing further training to improve this area of planning. A sample of PEPs will be assessed and a report completed for senior managers by the end of June 2006.

LAC School Audit

The LACEA team have now completed their audit of Looked after children in Lambeth schools. We would like to thank schools for their time and commitment in assisting us in collating this vital information, your co-operation is much appreciated.

Further Information

For more information about anything you have read here, please contact Colm Doyle on 020 7926 9767 or cdoyle@lambeth.gov.uk