

# The Looked After Children Education Achievement Team

## Designated Teachers Conference 2006

Thank you again to all attendees at the recent Designated Teachers conference. Evaluations of the event suggest that it was well received and successful in providing delegates with the opportunity to develop their understanding of the emotional impact that being in care has on children and young people and how this can affect their learning.

A pack of key conference information and outcomes of workshops is being produced and will be distributed to all schools.

We would welcome your comments and suggestions about other areas of training or further information that you feel would assist you in your work.

## Reminder - School Audit

October 20<sup>th</sup> 2006 is the deadline for submitting the completed audit form of all LAC currently attending your school. Many LAC cared for by other boroughs are placed with carers in Lambeth. The audit is crucial in providing the local authority with an overview of all LAC who are educated in Lambeth schools. We would greatly appreciate the co-operation of designated teachers in updating the audit sheet.

If you have any questions regarding the audit sheets, please contact **Gurmeet Khurana**.

## Sharing Good Practice – Update

The LACEA team are keen to collate and disseminate good practice in place in Lambeth schools and in Children's social care teams in order to enhance the level of education support offered to LAC. We would like to ask all schools and social care teams to let us know about what works well for them in ensuring that their children and young people are enabled to achieve well. It is our intention to celebrate and share this via the

LAC education achievement web pages. A pro forma to assist communicating your good practice is saved on the Information pages on the LACEA website. Completed forms should be submitted to Chris Williams or can be emailed to [CWilliams2@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:CWilliams2@lambeth.gov.uk).

## Working With:

This section highlights how key areas of LAC education achievement work are being embedded within other CYPS services and partner agencies. This month:

## Teaching Assistants

The LACEA team's Teaching and Learning Consultant has been working with members of Lambeth's Teaching Assistant & Higher level Teaching Assistant Co-ordinator, to develop a pilot programme that will enable Teaching Assistant's to provide more support for looked after children in the classroom. The LACEA team are currently recruiting a cohort of schools in which to run the pilot. Should you be interest in becoming involved or would like more information please contact Louiza charalambous on 020 7926 9767 or [Lcharalambous@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:Lcharalambous@lambeth.gov.uk)

## Looked After Children's Education Awards Ceremony

Lambeth's Corporate Parenting Team are busily organising the annual education and special achievement awards ceremony for LAC. Schools have received a letter and pro forma requesting nominations for Lambeth Council looked after pupils attending your school. All information on categories and criteria for nomination is outlined in this letter. Thank you to those schools that have already submitted their nominations. **The deadline for receiving nominations is 30<sup>th</sup> November 2006.** For further information on this event please contact [nlynam@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:nlynam@lambeth.gov.uk)