

## What is Parent Partnership Group (PPG)?

The PPG has been set up to support school improvement and support school in achieving the Learning Parent Partnership Award (LPPA). The **LPPA** is a nationally recognised award achievable by schools who work very closely with the families of their pupils.

The LPPA Programme in special schools focuses on the support of individual parents, and small groups. The support provided by special schools can be a real lifeline for parents and carer's, and meeting the needs of those whose children may be 'bussed in' over long distances can be an added challenge. The LPPA helps special schools to develop their good practice further in terms of, for example:

• Planning, organisation and communication strategies that meet the needs of all parents and carer's, including individuals and smaller groups with shared needs.

• Suggesting practical approaches to engaging parents and carer's in their children's learning, using enjoyable and appropriate approaches.

• Supporting parents' own learning and development, and providing a welcoming and friendly environment in which they can meet others to talk and socialise.

• Involving parents in on-going discussion about their own child's learning and development, and really engaging with them as prime carer's.

The PPG contribute ideas and solutions in order to make

school improvements that have a direct benefit to our children and their families.