

## **Support for Learning Specialist Teaching Team.**

This is Cambridgeshire's county wide teaching team made up of the 3 specialisms described in the Code of Practice:

- Cognition and Learning (C&L);
- Communication and Interaction (C& L)
- Social, Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties (SEBD)

Each of these areas is led by a Head of Specialism.

The Support for Learning Specialist Teaching Team is funded by schools. It works mostly in Primary Schools, but sometimes in Secondary schools. The teams plan with schools at regular times during the school year. At these times schools will identify areas of Special Educational Needs they wish to develop, or pupils that may need additional specialist advice, in line with the Code of Practice Graduated Response.

The Specialist Teaching Team also takes commissioned work from the Student Assessment Service.

Each new Statement of Educational Need attracts 6 hours of Specialist Teaching Team support. Additional work is often commissioned by the Student Assessment Service to help support pupils.

The Communication and Interaction (C & I) Teaching Team work with pupils with speech, language and communication difficulties as well as those with social communication difficulties or autistic spectrum difficulties.

There are 10 specialist teachers in the Communication and Interaction team. These are based across the County in the 3 areas, Cambridge, Huntingdon and Fenland.

Within these areas are bases at Ely, March, St Ives, Arbury and Trumpington. The teachers are supported by 4 specialist teaching assistants. All teachers and teaching assistants have additional qualifications in speech, language and communication and/or autistic spectrum disorders.