

EDUCATION RESTART



Virtual Drop-In for Schools

The Education Authority's Post Primary Behaviour Support and Provisions (PPBSP) provides advice and support to schools in relation to Social, Behavioural, Emotional and Wellbeing (SBEW) concerns. This has normally been in the form of whole school improvement, capacity building, targeted advice, individual pupil intervention and a partnership placement with EOTAS.

Since Covid-19 Education Authority services have been exploring new ways of interacting with schools to provide support. It is anticipated there will be a need for additional resources when schools restart to meet the different needs of pupils and staff. In consideration of the fluid nature of the situation a Virtual Drop-In service has been created to provide schools with direct access to advice from the PPBSP team.

The purpose of the Virtual Drop-In is to give general advice to enable schools to support an individual pupil or whole class in relation to SBEW and is available to all Post Primary and Special Schools.

How to book a session

Initially this service will be available during September and October 2020. The virtual meetings will take place from 2pm-4pm every Friday staffed by advisory officers from the PPBSP team. Sessions will be limited to 30 minutes and will happen on the Microsoft Teams platform. Booking is via Microsoft Teams. The virtual drop in advice sessions are primarily for teachers and classroom assistants seeking advice concerning an individual pupil or whole class in relation to SBEW issues that arise when school restarts. All other applications for support should be made through the normal PPBSP referral pathway.

To book please email PPBSPqueries@eani.org.uk to request a Microsoft Teams link.

