Re-engagement Unit Information for schools



The REU – What is it?

The Re-engagement Unit (REU) is a school support service.

We work systemically to deliver support to children at risk of exclusion.

The team is made up of teachers, specialist mentors, family support workers.

The systemic approach



Why would you use it?

- High level of concern
- Fixed term exclusions
- Other interventions have been tried with little impact
- Change in child's behaviour
- Dip in engagement with learning

How does it work?







How does it work?

Each child will have a bespoke plan guided with up to 3 targets.

Targets will be set together with the school and family.



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Descriptor of level achieved (whe	re we are after six we	eks):		
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The REU gains it's information through

- 1. Observations
- 2. Discussions with staff, parents and the pupil themselves
- 3. Home visits

Then we can advise on inclusive support

- ✓ Best practise for inclusion
- ✓ Personalised provision
- ✓New resources
- ✓ PMPs & de-escalation
- ✓ Differentiation
- ✓ Establishing PSPs

Who we work with

- EPS
- CAMHS
- CSC
- Young Hackney
- Family Support Service



Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services





What we know works

- A member of SLT to oversee the REU plan and sign off on interventions
- Evidence of previously tried interventions. We expect to see an IBP or PSP with two reviews on referral
- Commitment to inclusion, the child & family
- Willingness to try creative new ideas

When to refer to the REU

- Most vulnerable cases
- When these interventions have been tried

Available on page 5 of the PSP guidance

On-going		Referral to outside agencies and services				
	pupil assess- ment and exidence.	Graduated additional support	 Differentiated behaviour management e.g. SMART targets set within an Individual Behaviour Plan or Individual Education Plan (IEP) Classroom based targets integrated within planning and supported within the classroom Differentiated learning Daily and weekly monitoring of targets which is shared with parent or carer Regular meetings with pupil to build on success and overcome barriers Nominated key staff to support pupil Increased additional support to develop key skills Interventions include As above Individual behaviour plan or IEP Learning assessments and targets within planning Time limited out of class support with achievable success criteria e.g. nurture group, inclusion room, small group work Circle of Friends Playground buddy or other playground support Referral to outside agencies and services Positive handling plan 			
		Pastoral Support Programme	Supersedes individual behaviour plan or IEP Multi-agency meeting Programme completed in line with guidance Targets shared with systems in place to monitor, develop targets and celebrate success Programme reviewed in line with guidance			
		Re- Engagement Unit	PSP in place Support from the Re-Engagement Unit (REU) can be accessed after a PSP has been implemented and reviewed twice in line with the PSP guidance Six week intervention plan developed and delivered by REU Sustainability plan at the end of REU intervention that is linked back to PSP			
P		Other interver referral to Children or school led Manag	and Young People's Partnership Panel, New Regents School			

Family support

One of the REU's KPIs is to develop the partnership between home and school

We do this through:

- Home visits
- Celebration meetings
- Discussions about home routines
- Support to access community activities and programmes
- Support with statutory intervention

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Top tip Links to external agencies works best when family are part of the discussion and all practical elements are considered and shared transparently.





We work closely with our in house clinician and can offer:

- Direct CAMHS referrals
- Time to carry out in school observations
- Attendance to in school planning meetings
- Weekly feedback from the REU worker to the clinician at the REU team meetings





The REU are frequently asked what can be done to support our children in the playground.

Examples of this include:

- Ensuring support staff are Stay on Green, Restorative Justice, TeamTeach trained
- Writing individual Positive Management Plans with all involved staff
- Making visual social stories
- Sharing one-page profiles with strategies in the staff room
- Structured play sessions with a social learning focus
- Group SEAL sessions



Personalising provision

Positive Management Plans

- Environment and triggers
- Prevention
- What might happen
- Things that help
- What to avoid
- Managing the crisis low level Next step Extreme
- Cooling off / follow up
- Child friendly version with images supplied home

Top tip Make the process meaningful, write it all together (including parents!). Treat it as a functional working document and review it regularly.

Examples of previous PMPs supplied on the table



Social stories

Vulnerable children struggle with changes of routine, including holidays, weekends, changes of rooms, staff, rules and expectations.

- Preparation for upcoming school trips/ changes in timetable
- Reinforcing school expectations and personalised behaviour management systems
- Supporting the introduction of new members of staff – especially 1:1 support

Top tip Social stories need as much detail as possible. Images of places, people, details of when and where are vital.

Visual resources



reading area.

STAY CALM AND TAKE A BREATH.





Examples of REU one page profiles shared on the table

Supporting the delivery of group work

Team work tiger!





PSP – Pastoral Support Plans

- Claire Tregear can offer one off, free support sessions to introduce the PSP documentation.
- Her sessions can be extended through traded services.
- Claire can also support on additional areas including:
- Stay on Green
- SEAL
- -Whole class behaviour management

Top tip The most successful PSPs are developed when all the agencies involved with the young person are asked to contribute to the programme.





What happens next?

Re-engagement Unit referral form

Please make sure you have the most up to date form for our data tracking purposes

You have all recently received an email from Helen Grice containing the most up-to-date version

Top tip The most recent version will have Oct 15 in the footer Re-engagement Unit referral coversheet

Please submit alongside PSP and review documents.

Send to: Ebru.Karatufek@learningtrust.co.uk

School	Name	Main telephone number
Name of child		•
Date of referral		
Term of referral		
Gender		
DOB of child		
Year group of child		
Parentiguardian name		
Contact details		
Address		
Telephone number		
Has parental permission to make this	Y/N	
referral been sought and established?		
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Member of SLT who will have oversight of		
this case?		
Note: this person will be expected to attend the		
planning and review meetings.		
Head teacher	Name	Email
Classroom teacher and class name	Name	Email
SENCO	Name	Email
	Name	Email
Educational psychologist	Name	Email
Has there been any involvement?	Y/N	
Which of these interventions have been	1.04	No of reviews:
completed:		no or revens.
Internal tracking	Y/N	
IBP	Y/N	
• PSP	Y/N	
Please attach these documents to this form		
What are the child's current levels?	Numeracy:	Writing:
		Reading:
		86L:

Our results

- Supported 98 children across the borough
- Worked with 34 primary schools in the last year
- Met or exceeded 92% of targets established at the start of an REU plan
- 70.4% of children on a REU plan were not excluded again for the remainder of the academic year

Top tip Our data is collected from various locations, one of which is the school referral form. These also help the team to assess our work and impact. The more data the better!

Frequently asked questions

Do schools have to pay for this service?

How long does the programme last?

What are the referral criteria?

Why do I need parental consent?

Do Re-engagement Unit workers hold an enhanced DBS check

Please refer to Appendix 1 of the service guide for answers

Find out more

- Please refer REU Service Guide
- Contacting the REU's business support Officer – Helen Grice 0208 820 7418 helen.grice@learningtrust.co.uk

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Case discussions



For further discussions surrounding case suitability please contact:

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