



Consultation

Consultation is a process in which all users use their knowledge and understanding in a joint problem solving process in order to find solutions to help and support a child or young person. Educational Psychologists bring knowledge and understanding of applying psychology to children and young people in education. The SENCO brings knowledge and understanding of teaching and learning and of how the child interacts with the school environment whilst accounting for children and young people's views as well as parents. With the support of other professionals, all will problem solve together to provide support going forward.

Consultation at Doncaster EPS

Doncaster offer consultation through pyramid-planning meetings. Pyramid-Planning Meetings are consultation with an Educational Psychologist that is delivered on a group basis. Each local area within Doncaster (north, east, south and central) has a division of pyramids. All the SENCOs from the feeder primary schools and secondary schools in each area are invited to attend their local pyramid-planning meeting. Representatives from other services are also invited to attend and within this meeting all attendees will problem solve with the aim to find a direction forward and provide advice.

Pyramid planning meetings:

- A three-hour opportunity for SENCO's to problem solve and consult with Educational Psychologists and others to provide a direction forward.
- Following a pyramid-planning meeting if SENCO's are still stuck or need further support, they can attend a consultation surgery.

