Phase Transfer process for entry into Year R in an Infant or Primary School

Key Dates	Activity for Early Years to Reception	Activity	Who is Responsible?
Term 1 of the academic year prior to transfer to Infant or Primary Sep to Oct 2023	Conversations start between the parent, and other professionals (within the annual or transition review) for the most appropriate school for those pupils moving into Year R	Conversations AR And consults	Nursery Setting to facilitate, EY STLS to attend if invited. Specialist Nursey
	Opportunities for parents and young people to attend open days, meet the SENCO, transition lead, FLO	Stay and Play sessionsOpen Days	Setting and School to collaborate
Term 1 & 2 Sep to Dec	EY setting supports the parent to have individual conversations with the infant		EY STLS
2023	or primary schools. EY setting may be able to attend school open days with the parent to understand how they can support the needs of the child		Specialist Nursery
Term 1 & 2 Sep to Dec 2023	Application window opens for all parents to submit their formal application for a school placement		Local Authority
	All annual or transition reviews for	EY STLS to complete reviews, in	Setting
Term 6 By 21 Jul 2023	Nursery/pupils in EY Provision must be completed by schools and relevant paperwork returned to the LA	conjunction with settings, during their final visits.	STLS
Term 6 08 Jun 2023	Parent email is sent out by the LA, requesting school preference for their child. Communication includes detailed		Local Authority

Key Dates	Activity for Early Years to Reception	Activity	Who is Responsible?
	process guidance and important information		
Term 3 Jan to Feb 2024	Application window closes for all parents to submit their formal application for a school placement		Parents Setting to support as appropriate
Term 6 17 Jul 2023	Parent deadline for returning their school preference to LA		Parents
Term 1 By 11 Sep 2023	LA SEN Teams formally consult with schools for phase transfer parental preferences		Local Authority Schools
Term 2 Nov to Dec 2023	Admissions decision-making meetings held between schools and LA staff	EY STLS reports available as appropriate to inform decision-making process	Local Authority Schools
Term 2 11 Dec 2023	School deadline for their response to LAs consultation on parental preference		School
Term 3 31 Jan 2024	Amended final EHC plans naming the school for September 2024 are sent to parents and schools by LA		Local Authority
Half term 15 Feb 2024	National statutory deadline for naming school placements on the child's EHC plans for those in phase transfer		Local Authority
Term 4, 5 & 6 Mar to Jul 2024	Departing & receiving settings, with parents, formulate arrangements to support the child with their transition to the new school, this can include extra	STLS team offer consultation visits post transition to support N-YR transition. Term 1. Cohort discussions.	Setting Parents STLS SENDIA

Key Dates	Activity for Early Years to Reception	Activity	Who is Responsible?
	visits or targeted personalised plans	Multiagency meetings offered by SENDIA where there is a large no. of pupils with SEND Enhanced transition with EY Inclusion Support Assistant	Multiagency
		Coordinated EY Transition days when settings are able to discuss pupils with school's SENCo	Coordinated by TEP EY STLS and Specialist Nursery Term 4 attended by SENDIA Portage SENIF Schools and Setting.
		Additional days, meetings with Nursery and Specialist Nursey to identify those with additional need and EHCP, those needing bespoke Term 3,/4/5/6	SENDIA, setting and school
		EP workshops offered for parents with EY children in specialist placement to support readiness to learn. Term 6.	Specialist Nursery, parents and EP
		EY STLS and Specialist Nursery	EY STLS and Specialist Nursery

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		designed additional training to	
		respond to needs in EY	
		settings. Joined up working EY	
		team and Specialist Nursey	
		EY STLS transition resource	
		pack for settings	
		Transition focused Surgeries	
		SEN forums for settings to share	
		good practice and knowledge	
		Liaise with SENIF practitioners	
		Enhanced transition with EY	STLS
		Inclusion Support Assistant.	
		Enhanced transition in	STLS and Specialist Nursery
Terms 1 & 2 in		collaboration with St Nicholas	or 20 and openanor rangery
new setting	Ongoing transition arrangements to ensure the child settles into their	Specialist Nursery (Caterpillars)	
Sep to Dec	placement successfully		
2024	placement educationly	Allocated member STLS, to	STLS and Schools
		work with both settings and	
		schools, to support transition for	
		complex cases	

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		EY and Schools team meet to pass over information	
		Pupil's cases with STLS remain open for two terms, following their transition, thereby enabling schools to contact STLS for prompt support without necessarily re-referring through the LIFT process.	STLS
		STLS, in conjunction with KEPs and SENDIA, to conduct visits to schools that an identified significant level of need.	STLS, EP, SENDIA

Phase Transfer process for Infant to Junior School, and Junior or Primary to Secondary School

Key Dates	Activity for Year 2 and Year 6 Transfers	Activity	Who is Responsible?
Infant to Junior:			School to facilitate and invite
Year 1, Terms 5 & 6			STLS to attend if appropriate
Apr to Jul 2022	Conversations start between the parent, school, and other professionals (within		
Primary or Junior to Secondary:	the annual or transition review) for the most appropriate school for those pupils moving into Year 3 & Year 7		
Year 4, Terms 5 & 6			
Apr to Jul 2022			
Term 6 05 Jun 2023	Schools receive details of all their current pupils in the phase transfer cohort (<i>leaving them</i>) for September 2024 from LA (for data quality checks)	Conversation between Local Authority and STLS regarding particular cohorts and concerns	Local Authority STLS
Term 6 08 Jun 2023	Parent email is sent out by the LA, requesting school preference for their child. Communication includes detailed process guidance and important information		Local Authority

Key Dates	Activity for Year 2 and Year 6 Transfers	Activity	Who is Responsible?
Term 6	Parent deadline for returning their		Parent
17 Jul 2023	school preference to LA		
Term 6	All annual or transition reviews for Y1 &		School
	Y5 pupils must be completed by		
By 21 Jul 2023	schools and relevant paperwork returned to the LA		
Terms 1 & 2	Opportunities for parents and young		School
Sep to Dec	people to attend open days, meet the	Support from School Age	STLS
2023	cp to bec	Inclusion Support Assistant if appropriate.	
Term 1	LA SEN Teams formally consult with		Local Authority
By 11 Sep 2023	schools for phase transfer parental preferences		School
Term 2	Admissions decision-making meetings	STLS reports available as	Local Authority
Nov to Dec 2023	held between schools and LA staff	appropriate to inform decision- making process	School
Term 2	School deadline for their response to		School
11 Dec 2023	LAs consultation on parental preference		
Term 3	Amended final EHC plans naming the		Local Authority
31 Jan 2024	school for September 2024 are sent to parents and schools by LA		

Key Dates	Activity for Year 2 and Year 6 Transfers	Activity	Who is Responsible?
Half term 15 Feb 2024	National statutory deadline for naming school placements on the child's EHC plans for those in phase transfer		Local Authority
Terms 3, 4, 5 & 6 of final year Jan to Jul 2024	Departing & receiving schools, with parents, formulate arrangements to support the child with their transition to the new setting, this can include extra visits or targeted personalised plans	County wide transition day Local transition days at when SENCos are able to discuss pupils with receiving school STLS transition resource packs for both schools and parents Transition focused Surgeries STLS resources and webinars advising on strategies and interventions Professionals meetings, as appropriate, to ensure a consistent approach Meeting with Local Authority to identify particularly challenging cohorts and discuss support that we can provide/	STLS SENDIA Local Authority

Key Dates	Activity for Year 2 and Year 6 Transfers	Activity	Who is Responsible?
		SENCos offered additional meeting with STLS support	
		SENCo supported to put on additional visits for particular pupils requiring enhanced transition	School
		Range of community events, summer schools, sports events, parent open evenings, webinars etc, etc.	School
		STLS to produce a model Transition Plan and practice support to act as a reference for schools	STLS
		Individual pupils raised for discussion at LIFT Term 6	

Key Dates	Activity for Year 2 and Year 6 Transfers	Activity	Who is Responsible?
		STLS and Outreach team discuss case load of identified pupil	Orchard outreach team
			STLS outreach team
			STLS and EPs
Terms 1 & 2 in new setting Sep to Dec 2024	Ongoing transition arrangements to ensure the child settles into their placement successfully	STLS visits, with KEPs and SENDIA, (Y7 project) to discuss any identified concerns and areas of development- each school is offered follow up visit consult to look at pupils, cohorts, needs.	School STLS KEPS SENDIA
2024		Surgery/review/learning walk Ongoing support from STLS until targets are met or a joint decision is made to close case	

Phase Transfer process for Post-16 Education (Year 11)

Key Dates	Activity	Activity	Who is Responsible?
Year 10, Terms 1 & 2 Sep to Dec 2022	Post 16 Transfers Conversations start between the parent, young person, setting, and other professionals (within the annual or transition review) for the most appropriate setting for those pupils moving into post-16 provision. (Provision such as education, training, apprenticeships or supported employment).		
	Opportunities and sharing of information on CIEAG, FE options, tasters, careers sessions, visits and tours for parents and young people.		
Y10, Terms 3, 4, 5 & 6 Jan to Jul 2023	Annual or transition reviews completed by settings		
Y10, Term 6 By Jun 2023	Settings receive details of all their current pupils in phase transfer cohort		

	(<i>leaving them</i>) for September 2024 from LA (for data quality purposes)
Year 11, Term 1 1 Sep 2023	Parent/young person email sent out by the LA, requesting setting preference. Communication includes detailed process guidance and important information
Year 11, Term 1 13 Oct 2023	Parent/young person deadline for returning their setting preference to LA
Year 11, Term 1 After 13 Oct 2023	LA SEN Teams formally consult with settings for phase transfer parental preferences
Year 11, Term 2 11 Dec 2023	Post 16 settings' deadline for their response to LAs consultation on parental preference
Year 11, Term 3 Jan 2024	Admission decision-making meetings held between settings and LA staff
Year 11, Term 3 OR 4 31 Jan or 6 Mar 2024	Amended final EHC plans naming the setting for September 2024 sent to parent/young person and setting by LA

Term 3 31 March 2024	(Schools would prefer as early as poss to aid transition activities) National statutory deadline for naming setting placement on the young person's EHC plan for those in phase transfers	
Terms 3, 4, 5 & 6 of final year Jan to Jul 2024	Departing & receiving settings, with parents, formulate arrangements to support the young person with their transition to the new setting, this can include extra visits or targeted personalised plans	
Terms 1 & 2 in new setting Sep to Dec 2024	Ongoing transition arrangements to ensure the young person settles into their placement successfully	