

## SEND information sessions for working families

The Leeds Local Offer Team works closely with the Leeds Parent Carer Forum and SEND services to provide helpful information sessions for parents and carers.

These sessions are designed to:

- share useful information about SEND services
- give families the chance to speak directly with SEND professionals
- offer practical workshops for parents and carers

At the moment, our sessions take place during the day. However, after feedback from working parents, we're now exploring ways to run some information sessions in the evening.

The Leeds Parent Carer Forum and Leeds Local Offer Team consulted with parents and carers via an online survey during February / March 2026 to explore evening sessions with families.

12 parents / carers completed the survey, and shared they would like evening sessions to be available.

### Preferred session:

- In person: 7
- Online: 1
- Both: 4

### Times of in person sessions

- 5pm till 7pm: 5
- 6pm till 8pm: 7
- 7pm till 9pm: 8

### Times of online sessions

- 5pm till 7pm: 3
- 6pm till 8pm: 4
- 7pm till 9pm: 5

### General comments:

- In person sessions are really really difficult at any time of day for many parents with kids who have send.
- Attendance would depend on commitments.
- Reasonable adjustments need to be made for people to attend.