

Monthly Update – February 2004

<u>Statement Information</u>	<p>As at 29th February 2004 Bucks LEA was responsible for 2673 statements of Special Educational Needs, this represents 3.5% of the total school population. This is 14 more than in February 2003 (2659) and 15 more than in February 2002 (2658)</p> <p>1320 of these pupils are secondary school age, with 1068 attending primary schools. We currently have 73 statemented pre school pupils and 212 in post 16 education.</p> <p>This is an increase of 6 in primary schools and 26 in post 16. There is a decrease of 14 in secondary schools and of 4 pre-school pupils compared to January 2003.</p> <p>The areas of need are:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>February 2002</u></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>February 2003</u></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>February 2004</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Moderate Learning Difficulties</td> <td style="text-align: center;">917</td> <td style="text-align: center;">889</td> <td style="text-align: center;">809</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Speech, Language and Communication Needs</td> <td style="text-align: center;">368</td> <td style="text-align: center;">385</td> <td style="text-align: center;">444</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Behaviour, Emotional and Social Development Needs</td> <td style="text-align: center;">347</td> <td style="text-align: center;">373</td> <td style="text-align: center;">406</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Specific Learning Difficulties</td> <td style="text-align: center;">301</td> <td style="text-align: center;">246</td> <td style="text-align: center;">216</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Severe Learning Difficulties</td> <td style="text-align: center;">229</td> <td style="text-align: center;">226</td> <td style="text-align: center;">213</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Social Communication Difficulties</td> <td style="text-align: center;">198</td> <td style="text-align: center;">237</td> <td style="text-align: center;">5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Autistic Spectrum Disorder</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">263</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Physical Difficulties</td> <td style="text-align: center;">154</td> <td style="text-align: center;">163</td> <td style="text-align: center;">166</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hearing Impairment</td> <td style="text-align: center;">79</td> <td style="text-align: center;">74</td> <td style="text-align: center;">72</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Visual Impairment</td> <td style="text-align: center;">56</td> <td style="text-align: center;">54</td> <td style="text-align: center;">49</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Multi-Sensory Impairment</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">-</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Profound and Multiple</td> <td style="text-align: center;">8</td> <td style="text-align: center;">10</td> <td style="text-align: center;">28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2658</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2659</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2673</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The main changes are a decrease of 80 MLD, 30 SPLD and an increase of 59 SLCN and 33 BESD from February 2003. The increase in PMLD pupils is due to the re-classification of statements following discussions with schools for PLASC data.</p>		<u>February 2002</u>	<u>February 2003</u>	<u>February 2004</u>	Moderate Learning Difficulties	917	889	809	Speech, Language and Communication Needs	368	385	444	Behaviour, Emotional and Social Development Needs	347	373	406	Specific Learning Difficulties	301	246	216	Severe Learning Difficulties	229	226	213	Social Communication Difficulties	198	237	5	Autistic Spectrum Disorder	-	-	263	Physical Difficulties	154	163	166	Hearing Impairment	79	74	72	Visual Impairment	56	54	49	Multi-Sensory Impairment	-	-	2	Profound and Multiple	8	10	28	Other	1	2	0	Total	2658	2659	2673
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	<p>agreed. For the same period last year there were 204 referrals of which 62% (126) were agreed.</p>																								
<p><u>Tribunals</u></p>	<p>1 Tribunal was lodged with SENT, by parents in February 2004. During February 2003, 3 cases were lodged.</p> <p>During February 2004, 1 SENT case was due to be held; the results have not yet been received. In February 2003 1 SENT case was due to be held, this was withdrawn by parents.</p> <p><u>Cases due to be held – year to date</u></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th><u>2003/2004</u></th> <th><u>2002/2003</u></th> <th><u>2001/2002</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Withdrawn by parents</td> <td>9</td> <td>14</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dismissed by SENT</td> <td>0</td> <td>2</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Upheld by SENT</td> <td>1</td> <td>5</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Result not received</td> <td>1</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>11</td> <td>21</td> <td>7</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<u>2003/2004</u>	<u>2002/2003</u>	<u>2001/2002</u>	Withdrawn by parents	9	14	5	Dismissed by SENT	0	2	1	Upheld by SENT	1	5	1	Result not received	1	0	0	Total	11	21	7
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<p><u>Annual Reviews</u></p>	<p>Schools have to organise and hold an annual review of each statement, an LEA Officer is invited to attend these reviews. In February 2004 Assistant Education Officers from Pupil Support attended 32 reviews. 8 of these were at Independent /Non-maintained schools.</p> <p>In February 2003, Officers attended 34 reviews.</p>																								
<p><u>Departments in Mainstream schools</u></p>	<p>Within Bucks mainstream schools we have 27 Departments.</p> <p><u>Planned Place Numbers 2003/2004</u></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th><u>EBD</u></th> <th><u>SCM</u></th> <th><u>LNG</u></th> <th><u>PH</u></th> <th><u>HI</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Primary</td> <td>0</td> <td>72</td> <td>122</td> <td>30</td> <td>34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secondary</td> <td>14</td> <td>24</td> <td>6</td> <td>10</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>14</td> <td>96</td> <td>128</td> <td>40</td> <td>39</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>These provide a total of 317 places; out of these places 258 are in primary schools and</p>		<u>EBD</u>	<u>SCM</u>	<u>LNG</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>HI</u>	Primary	0	72	122	30	34	Secondary	14	24	6	10	5	Total	14	96	128	40	39
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As at 29th February 2004 **258 pupils were in department places** and as at 28th February 2003, 248 pupils were in department places.

Details of Mainstream School Departments

<u>School</u>	<u>Need</u>	<u>Key Stage</u>	<u>Planned place 03-04</u>	<u>No. February 2004</u>	<u>Vacancies</u>	<u>Projected Sep 04</u>
Aston Clinton	LNG	1,2	10	8	2	7
Bell Lane Combined	LNG	1,2	12	12	0	11
Bierton C of E Combined	LNG	1,2	10	9	1	9
Carrington Infant	SCM	1	6	6	0	5
Carrington Junior	SCM	2	6	8	0	7
Chalfonts Community College	PH/HI	3,4	5	5	0	5
Chepping View Primary	LNG	1,2	10	6	4	5
Claytons Combined School	SCM	1,2	12	10	2	9
The Disraeli School	LNG	1,2	10	6	4	3
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Elmhurst Infant	SCM	1	12	12	0	7
Elmhurst Junior	SCM	2	12	11	1	13
Elmtree	LNG	1	20	14	6	7
Great Missenden C of E	HI	1,2	5	5	0	5
Highworth Combined	HI	1,2	17	10	7	9
Holmer Green Senior	LNG	3,4	12	10	2	11
Holtspur School	LNG	1,2	10	8	2	8
Iver Heath Junior	LNG	2	10	6	4	5
Juniper Hill School	PH	1,2	12	9	3	8
King's Wood	LNG	1,2	20	11	9	11
Princes Risborough Primary	SCM	1,2	12	10	2	7
Princes Risborough	SCM	3,4,16 +	24	27	0	28
Sir William Ramsay	PH	3,4,16 +	10	6	4	6
Stoke Mandeville Combined	HI	1,2	12	7	5	7
William Harding Combined	LNG	1,2	10	14	0	12
William Harding Combined	PH	1,2	20	10	10	8
Misbourne	EBD	3,4	14	6	8	6

Special Schools

Bucks currently have **13 special schools**, 6 MLD, 4 EBD and 3 SLD. For the academic year 2003/2004 these have a combined planned **place number of 1090**. At 29th February 2004 there were 1042 pupils on the rolls of these special schools, of which 29 pupils are from other Local Authorities.

9 of these schools are under number, added together this equals 66 spaces. 4 of the schools are over-number, equalling 18 places.

Schools under number

<u>School</u>	<u>Under number by</u>
Chiltern Gate	26
Stoke Leys	3
Furze Down	1
Westfield	3
Heritage House	4
Maplewood	11
Kynaston	1
Park	15
Wendover House	2

Out of County Placements

A total of 127 Bucks pupils are attending other Local Authority schools, as at 29th February 2004, 74 in mainstream and 53 in special schools

At 28th February 2004, these figures were 133 in total - 81 in mainstream, and 52 in special schools.

We have **147 pupils in independent or non-maintained schools**, with an estimated cost this financial year of 7 million. Compared with 163 in February 2003.

Out county pupils by school stage

<u>NCY</u>	<u>Pre School</u>	<u>Primary School</u>	<u>Secondary School</u>	<u>Post 16</u>	<u>Total</u>
OLM	0	20	47	7	74
OLS	0	15	28	10	53
IND/NM	6	36	87	18	147
Total	6	71	162	35	274

Out county pupils by Need

<u>NEED</u>	<u>MLD</u>	<u>SLC</u>	<u>BES</u>	<u>SPLD</u>	<u>SLD</u>	<u>SCM</u>	<u>ASD</u>	<u>PD</u>	<u>HI</u>	<u>VI</u>	<u>PML</u>
OLM	10	11	5	14	0	0	20	10	1	3	0
OLS	15	3	3	0	15	0	6	3	3	3	2
IND/NM	4	16	21	8	20	2	29	18	13	12	4

The majority of pupils placed in independent or non-maintained schools are male, making up 77% of these pupils.

Learning Support Assistant hours

At the 29th February 2004 the expected cost of SSA for the 2003-2004 financial year stood at £3,646,344.45. This is 2.97% more than the year cost as at 31st January 2004 (£3,541,061.90). and 17.51% more than at 31st April 2003 (£3,103,096.99).

On the 29th February 2004 there were 780 pupils receiving a total of 11,568.75 SSA hours. This is an increase of 10 pupils and 189.25 hours from 31st January 2004.

Below is a breakdown of this by need, according to current hours on 29th February 2004.

<u>Need</u>	<u>No. of pupils</u>	<u>Total hours</u>	<u>Total year cost</u>	<u>Av hours per pupil (with SSA)</u>	<u>Av SSA year cost per pupil (with SSA)</u>
ASD	81	1526.95	£508,168.96	18.85	£6,2673.28
MLD	111	1695.00	£564,096.00	15.27	£5,081.86
SPLD	20	164.50	£54,745.60	8.23	£2,737.28
BESD	94	1395.50	£464,422.40	14.85	£4,942.08
SLD	35	846.50	£281,715.20	24.19	£8,050.43
PD	102	2075.70	£690,792.96	20.35	£6,772.48
SLCN	276	2933.90	£976,401.92	10.63	£3,537.66
HI	28	372.00	£123,801.60	13.29	£4,422.91
VI	27	391.20	£130,191.36	14.49	£4,822.27
MSI	0	0	£0.00	0	£0.00
PMLD	6	167.5	£55,744.00	27.92	£9,290.67
Total	780	11568.75	£3,850,080.00	14.83	£4,935.42

This is an increase of £17.11 on the average year cost of a pupil who is receiving SSA from 31st January 2004.

Miscellaneous

Removals In and Out of Bucks - During February 2004, 6 stated pupils moved out and 6 moved into Bucks. In February 2003, 2 pupils moved out and 4 moved in. For the current academic year to 29th February 2004, 23 have moved out and 30 pupils have moved in. During the same period 2002-2003, 31 pupils moved out and 22 moved into the area.

Looked After Children with Statements – In February 2004, 98 pupils with statements were, at some point in the month LAC and in February 2003 there were 84.

Bucks Stated Pupils Transferring School Type

<u>Transfer Type</u>	<u>February 2004</u>	<u>2003-2004 YTD</u>	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2001-2002</u>
Bucks to OLEA	0	16	14	9
OLEA to Bucks	0	0	5	4
Mainstream to Special	2	57	98	100
Special to Mainstream	0	10	11	8
LA to Independent	2	14	16	17
Independent to LA	2	6	12	6