Aim

Parents and families are fully supported to be involved in the life and work of their child's school or early learning and childcare setting.

Parents and families are fully supported to engage in their child's education throughout their learning journey.







| "Drivers" the things that need to be in place to achieve our aim | | | | | | | |
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| Leadership and skills | Evidence, inspection and improvement | Equalities and equity | | | | | |
| Building stronger skills and confidence amongst parents and families, staff and leaders | Parental involvement and engagement is reflected in the evidence that is gathered and analysed. | Targeted activity to address the themes of equalities and equity | | | | | |
| | Parents and families are involved in a collaborative way | | | | | | |
| Supported by a clear legal and policy framework, investment and funding | | | | | | | |

Our aims are to:

- ensure that parents are supported to be fully involved in the life and work of their children's early learning and childcare setting or school;
- encourage and support collaborative partnerships between practitioners, parents and
- families:
- get the right support in place so that parents can engage in their child's learning;
- expand access to family learning opportunities which meet participants needs;
- improve the quality of all communication between practitioners, staff, parents and
- families, and;
- improve the skills of leaders, front-line practitioners and support staff.

| NIF Priority | Parental and Family Engagement - focus for session 18-19 Leadership and skills | | | | | | |
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| Key area for improvement Leadership | Action | Timescale (Review dates) | Resources | Expected outcome | How we will know | Progress/evaluation | |
| and Skills | Audit current WDC Strategy | Sept 18 – October 18 | Strategy group | Gaps in provision will be identified. | Strategy developed in line with Scottish Government action plan. | Completed | |
| | Present 'Learning Together' Action plan to WDC leaders. | Aug 18 | Time at leaders event | Leaders will have an increased awareness of the action plan. | Evaluation | Completed. Leaders express need for revised strategy and professional learning | |

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| Adapt Strategy | Jan 19' | Strategy group, printer | Stakeholders have a renewed focus of expectations of revised plan. | Completed and agreed strategy to print. | Strategy to Ed Services committee June for approval/comments |
| Develop inset day insert for all establishments | Aug 19' | Strategy group Agreement from Chief Education Officer | All practitioners have a raised awareness of the WDC parental and family engagement strategy. | Inset materials Exit passes | |
| Develop communication strategy for strategy to children, parents and families. | June 19' | Strategy group | Stakeholders have a raised awareness of the WDC parental and family engagement strategy and their entitlements. | Questionnaires | Strategy group agreed sketch note to be completed to share with stakeholders – draft to be reviewed May 19 |
| Build the capacity of the strategy group to deliver | October – | Connect professional | Professional learning in line | Strategy group meeting focus | All training attended and evaluated by |

| | professional learning. | Dec 18' | learning | with | group. | strategy group. Materials centralised. |
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| | Plan WDC bespoke professional learning programme using learning from CONNECT sessions. | Aug 19; | Strategy group time | Skills of leaders, front-line practitioners and support staff are developed. | Evaluations | |
| Key area for improvement Evidence, inspection and improvement | Develop a google survey to capture current practice in all establishments. | April 19 | Strategy group | Increased awareness of areas of strength and areas that establishments would welcome support with. | Survey results | Survey completed and content agreed by strategy group ready to be circulated. |
| | Gather examples of 'what's worked well' and provide a central resource. | June 19' | Strategy group | Support collaborative partnerships between practitioners, parents and families | Survey results | |
| | Participate in West partnership work streams | ongoing | Senior Education Officer | Increased local authority awareness of | Conversation day in ERS | |

| | and associated events. | | Strategy group | West partnership emerging practice leading to the development of support networks through the RIC. | Families and communities work stream event. | |
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| Key area for | Use data that will be gathered through the PIE census to inform action plan session 19-20. | June 19' | All parents and families consulted through Scottish Government Census | Data driven outcome focused action plan session 19-20. | Attendance at planning events – ensuring Local Education Authority representation April 19'. | Data and performance officer co-ordinating census. Dates still TBC for this. |
| improvement Equalities and Equity | Pupil Equity Fund panels to include discussion of impact on parents and family engagement. | Ongoing | Senior Education Officer's Education Officer's Pipil Equity Fund panels Improvement visits | Expand access to family learning opportunities which meet participants needs. | PEF plans Standards and Quality reports | |
| | Ensure that all parents and families have access to family learning session and supporting materials | Nov 18' | Literacy lead Numeracy lead | Increased awareness of parents and families on | Read, write, count materials. | |

| for Read, Write, Count | | | how to use the materials to support learning at home. | | |
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| Consultation with parents to develop question sets for thematic reviews numeracy and maths. | March 19' | WDC parent forum | Accessible question sets. | Question sets for review. | |