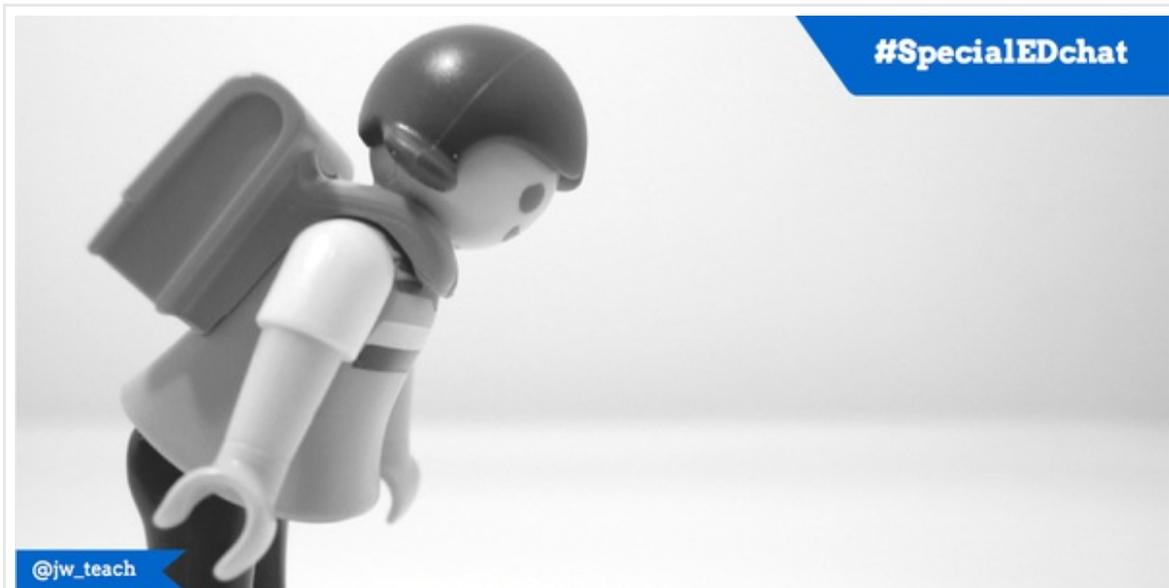


Transition & SEN #SpecialEDchat

Bringing New Life to an Old #



Questions from my first twitter chat [#SpecialEDchat](#) teachsen.wordpress.com/2015/08/19/my-...pic.twitter.com/PTSk5hDPCF

 JOE WHITE @JW_TEACH · AN HOUR AGO



ChatSalad
@ChatSalad

The [#specialedchat](#) chat starts in 5 minutes. [#ChatSalad](#)

 AN HOUR AGO

#SpecialEDchat

Welcome to #SpecialEDchat
discussing Transition for children
with SEN. Say Hello & share
something that makes you anxious.

@jw_teach

Welcome to #SpecialEDchat - Transition for children with SEN. Say Hello & share something that makes you anxious. pic.twitter.com/8WracUd2C2

 JOE
WHITE @JW_TEACH · AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

Joe from Kent in the UK, AHT (With class) special sch for Ss with #ASD and SLD. Busy Places & being late make me anxious #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

Amanda from Sydney. The snooze alarm that just went off makes me a little anxious #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@243Rin Welcome! Alarms are the worst! Is it early where you are? #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Amanda Meyer

@243Rin

@243Rin 6am!ll be in and out. Have to get ready for work, but didn't forget :) #SpecialEDchat

AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

First question coming up in 1 minute! #SpecialEDchat

AN HOUR
AGO

#SpecialEDchat

Q1 In your experience what is it about change that causes young people the most anxiety?

#specialEDchat

@jw_teach

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JOE WHITE @JW_TEACH · AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

@CollOfTeaching join in #SpecialEDchat if you fancy it!

AN HOUR
AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

#SpecialEDchat Hello. Laura here. Just had to fire up my laptop, so sorry for the late arrival!

 AN HOUR
AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

#SpecialEDchat @funASDteacher @GilchristGeorge @JenaiaMorane @martysnowpaw - head over to this chat now if you can

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@MissTweet_NQT You are more than welcome! #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach not being informed or given sufficient notice to prepare for change #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



JJ (Jeannette James)
@7Mrsjames

Hi #SpecialEDchat next month #Downunder there will be a @NSWSEPLA conference- hashtag will be...?

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

A1 I think change is unsettling as students may miss familiar routines or people they have worked closely with. #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Amanda Meyer

@243Rin

A1: I think it's the unknown. Transparency around change should be integrated into the process. Be open re change #SpecialEDchat



AN HOUR

AGO



Nicole Whitelaw

@NicoleWhitelaw

@jw_teach when staff act in unpredictable ways #SpecialEDchat



AN HOUR

AGO



Miss P

@MissTweet_NQT

#SpecialEDchat A1 Not knowing what is going to happen. Ss know their routine and change will alter that.



AN HOUR

AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

@SpectrumSuccess Yes the surprise factor takes many students off guard SEN or not! #SpecialEDchat



AN HOUR

AGO



Nicole Whitelaw

@NicoleWhitelaw

A1 pupils need to be able to trust that staff will be consistent #SpecialEDchat



AN HOUR

AGO



George Gilchrist

@GilchristGeorge

#SpecialEDchat hi Amanda, what you chatting about tonight (this morning) just come in from evening walk 🤔



AN HOUR

AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@243Rin](#) Yes and build change in to routines regularly? [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@NicoleWhitelaw](#) I agree staff should be consistant and model expected behaviour always.
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 AN HOUR
AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

[@jw_teach](#) Indeed - yet staff in some situations still don't see the need or think to prepare learners for change [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 AN HOUR
AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

[@jw_teach](#) where possible. But not to overdo it . Where necessary or to replicate real life situations
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@SpectrumSuccess](#) True, its about having empathy for your Ss and a S centered approach.
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 AN HOUR
AGO



JJ (Jeannette James)
@7Mrsjames

Hi Joe- I am pinging @NSWSEPLA so they can share their # so #SpecialEDchat can follow fr afar.
👍 @jw_teach #specialed conference #Australia

 AN HOUR
AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

#SpecialEdchat I agree. Ss need to be prepared appropriately for change. Sometimes it is unavoidable.

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw Especially with home issues, stressful situations that arise, pressures from above! #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@MissTweet_NQT Yes it is and even trickier sometimes out of our control! #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@7Mrsjames @NSWSEPLA Fantastic thanks for the heads up! #SpecialEDchat

 AN HOUR
AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach Absolutely - knowing your learners & what causes them anxiety is paramount to success! #SpecialEDchat



AN HOUR

AGO



Just joining Us? All Questions Available at buff.ly/1NrKG8w #SpecialEDchat Q2 coming up in 1 min pic.twitter.com/EYTod3yixn



JOE

· AN HOUR

WHITE @JW_TEACH

AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

@243Rin Yes structured and planned, we are here to enable and support not create situations to test Ss all the time #SpecialEDchat



AN HOUR

AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

A1 Not being able to communicate needs / wants / wishes is very stressful for some pupils
[#specialEDchat](#)

44 MINUTES AGO

[#SpecialEDchat](#)

Q2 Should we prepare children for
September transition in June/July,
or does this cause additional
anxiety? [#SpecialEDchat](#)

[@jw_teach](#)

Q2 Should we prepare children for Sept transition in Jun/Jul or does this cause additional anxiety?
[#SpecialEDchat](#) pic.twitter.com/OgRjFdfBtd

JOE WHITE @JW_TEACH · 44 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@SpectrumSuccess](#) Is there a particular example of something you have experienced that causes
anxieties? [#SpecialEDchat](#)

44 MINUTES AGO



Echo Chamber Uncut
@EchoChamberUnco

My First Twitter Chat: [#SpecialEdChat](#) | [jw_teach](#)
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43 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@NicoleWhitelaw](#) We find that, even with PECs books etc a lot of our approach is knowing the Ss
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 43 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

Q2 Good question! I think it comes down to knowing each pupil. For some, absolutely give lots of prep. For others, less so [#specialEDchat](#)

 43 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

[@MissTweet_NQT](#) Sometimes change can & does occur that is beyond our control but +ve relationships help in these situation [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 42 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@NicoleWhitelaw](#) Totally agree, sometimes I think we should transition in late June so September class is familiar [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 42 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

[#SpecialEDchat](#) A2 As an NQT I have little experience of this yet but contact with Ss b4 Sept is important. Start to build relationship early.

 41 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@MissTweet_NQT](#) Yes you and [@SpectrumSuccess](#) have mentioned the importance of building positive relationships. And Trust? [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 41 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

Q2 Sometimes prep for transition helps parents too, which can reduce anxiety at home
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 40 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

[#SpecialEDchat](#) I've taught my upcoming y7s. Used the opportunity to find out their interests and as you say [@jw_teach](#), hopefully build trust

 39 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

[#SpecialEDchat](#) knowing their interests helped me plan Isns for Sept. Hopefully will ease anxiety of transition for them and me. Familiarity.

 38 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@NicoleWhitelaw](#) Yes that Q is coming up. as we are a select (elite!) group I will speed up the Qs a bit [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 37 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@MissTweet_NQT](#) Any particular activities you used? [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 37 MINUTES AGO

#SpecialEDchat

Q3 What resources do you use or actions do you take to support transition to a new classroom or placement? #SpecialEDchat

@jw_teach

Q3 What resources do you use or actions do you take to support transition to a new class/placement? #SpecialEDchat pic.twitter.com/bP7JWCfVkc

 JOE WHITE @JW_TEACH · 37 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

Q3 photos and names of new classmates to take home + always take a photo of new pupil so I can label their resources #specialEDchat

 35 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

A3 We use Social Stories for all Ss usually with widgit symbols staff visit them for a Isn & S may visit the new class #SpecialEDchat

 35 MINUTES AGO



George Gilchrist
@GilchristGeorge

#SpecialEDchat transition best when it appears seamless & easy. For some, this can involve a lot of collaboration & preparation #individual

 35 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw Photos are great, we usually have new Ss visit the school sometimes with Ps.
#SpecialEDchat

 34 MINUTES AGO



Neil Magic Whiteboard
@magicwhiteboard

SENCO at Rookery Lodge is getting 30 free reusable notebooks in Sept
freereusablenotebooks.co.uk #SpecialEDchat

 34 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @MissTweet_NQT so important to build +ve relationships and trust with learners + parents/carers #SpecialEDchat

 34 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

@jw_teach Sometimes bringing a favourite activity from previous class can help, put it in workbox for first day #SpecialEDchat

 33 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

This is so true. can be a long term process familiarity with setting & staff, parental reinforcement
#SpecialEDchat twitter.com/GilchristGeorg...

 33 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

@jw_teach Nothing in particular. Ref to superheroes and gaming. Will see how it goes and develop as I get to know Ss more #SpecialEDchat

 33 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw Great idea most of our Ss have a box of resources that travel with them. & their Communication Aids!! #SpecialEDchat

 32 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw Great if schools have a virtual tour of environment & pics of staff to help prepare for transition #SpecialEDchat

 32 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@MissTweet_NQT Did they respond well? Hows the name learning going? #SpecialEDchat

 32 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

A3 Also finding out from parents what their priorities are - good to have that info before the first review meeting #SpecialEDchat

 32 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw How do you collect that? Books? F2F meetings? #SpecialEDchat

 31 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

@jw_teach Will find out in Sept! Only have 6 boys in my y7 class, names should come along quite easily...I hope. #SpecialEDchat

 30 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw

@NicoleWhitelaw

[@jw_teach](#) initial meeting at the end of the year before new pupils start if possible [#SpecialEDchat](#)



30 MINUTES AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

[@SpectrumSuccess](#) [@NicoleWhitelaw](#) I would like to do a video tour for the website cant get into the sch for two more weeks [#SpecialEDchat](#)



30 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

[@NicoleWhitelaw](#) and taking time to collate things such as a 'this is me' pupil profile [#SpecialEDchat](#)



29 MINUTES AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

[@MissTweet_NQT](#) Is it a special sch? [#SpecialEDchat](#)



29 MINUTES AGO

#SpecialEDchat

Q4 How do you involve the student & parents in transition planning.

#SpecialEDchat

@jw_teach

Q4 How do you involve the student & parents in transition planning. #SpecialEDchat
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 JOE WHITE · 29 MINUTES AGO
WHITE @JW_TEACH



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw would love to be able to share a good example in one of our training sessions for schools #SpecialEDchat

 28 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw Do you go to annual review or transition meetings at previous placement?
#SpecialEDchat

 28 MINUTES AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

A2: I think preparation suggests it's a one off. The constant of transition should be present. Talk about, students think #SpecialEDchat

 28 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

@SpectrumSuccess yes, really important - do SLT give priority time for meetings with previous class staff to do this though? #SpecialEDchat

 28 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw that would be fab :-) #SpecialEDchat

 27 MINUTES AGO



George Gilchrist
@GilchristGeorge

#SpecialEDchat the most important resource is dialogue and collaboration between all

 27 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@243Rin Great Point does our use of this terminology affect how we see the ongoing process of learning to cope with change? #SpecialEDchat

 27 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

@jw_teach would love to do that, think it would be very valuable, but rarely given time #SpecialEDchat

 27 MINUTES AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

A3: w our school has days where Ss who have been identified as higher anxiety spend time getting to know Ts, Ss and school #SpecialEDchat

 27 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw @SpectrumSuccess Hasnt been pushed at ours its expected you will.
#SpecialEDchat



27 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

@jw_teach Mainstream school but with enhanced resource provision. #SpecialEDchat



26 MINUTES AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

A4: by first doing an IEP, knowing about them before they arrive where possible. Invite parents Up, of needed let the stay #SpecialEDchat



26 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@NicoleWhitelaw Have a ++ example I can forward to you if you like - useful for parents/carers to complete & give to school #SpecialEDchat



26 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@SpectrumSuccess @NicoleWhitelaw That would be fantastic! #SpecialEDchat



25 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw Do you have a proforma that you give to parents/carers of chn with SEND? #SpecialEDchat



25 MINUTES AGO



Amanda Meyer

@243Rin

@jw_teach we spend 2 days in a group of perhaps 15 Ss. As many staff PPP in and out to get familiar. We do fun activities. #SpecialEDchat



24 MINUTES AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

@243Rin I like them to stay for a look round but leave student if they are engaging in a structured activity. (stay close) #SpecialEDchat



24 MINUTES AGO

#SpecialEDchat

Q5 Share what you are most enthusiastic about teaching when you get back to class.

#SpecialEDchat

@jw_teach

Q5 Final Question: Share what you are most enthusiastic about teaching when you get back to class. #SpecialEDchat pic.twitter.com/mvhk51uHj7

JOE WHITE @JW_TEACH · 24 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw It is super - full of what to do or not to do in given situations #SpecialEDchat will send to you both via DM



23 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@SpectrumSuccess @NicoleWhitelaw Its on work computer can share in a couple of weeks.
#SpecialEDchat

 23 MINUTES AGO



Amanda Meyer
@243Rin

@jw_teach absolutely. if that huge anxiety is there, until the student settles perhaps pop in and out till forgotten about #SpecialEDchat

 23 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@SpectrumSuccess @NicoleWhitelaw Thank you so much! #SpecialEDchat

 23 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

A5 Finding out the amazing talents, skills and personalities of new pupils - every day can be a surprise! #SpecialEDchat

 23 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw Will forward the one I have - hopefully you will find it useful or can adapt to your needs #SpecialEDchat

 22 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@243Rin Sometimes the tactical withdrawal once S is engaged. Will not push S to stay, dont want any neg exp during transition #SpecialEDchat

 22 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

#SpecialEDchat A5 Teaching my first classes as an NQT. Having pupils stretch and challenge me to become the best I can be.

 22 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw A pleasure :-) #SpecialEDchat

 22 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@MissTweet_NQT Fantastic attitude your Ss are very lucky. #SpecialEDchat

 21 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

@jw_teach I feel lucky to be doing this job! #SpecialEDchat

 20 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@243Rin so important to build +ve relationship with parent/carer as ultimately all want the same outcome #SpecialEDchat

 20 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@SpectrumSuccess @243Rin Yes The Best possible outcome for the Child. #SpecialEDchat

 19 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@GilchristGeorge couldn't agree more! #SpecialEDchat

 19 MINUTES AGO

#SpecialEDchat

Thank You So Much For Taking Part In our "Pop-UP" #SpecialEDchat

@jw_teach

Thank You for Taking Part in #SpecialEDchat. I hope you enjoyed it, I did!
pic.twitter.com/g64OVWCruV

 JOE WHITE @JW_TEACH · 19 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @243Rin yet often the parent/carer gets viewed negatively #SpecialEDchat

 18 MINUTES AGO



Miss P
@MissTweet_NQT

@jw_teach Thank you. #SpecialEDchat

 18 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

@NicoleWhitelaw Thats what I love about Teaching, you never know what you are going to learn.
#SpecialEDchat

 18 MINUTES AGO



Nicole Whitelaw
@NicoleWhitelaw

[@jw_teach](#) Always good to know that others out there have the same passion - encouraging!
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 17 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@SpectrumSuccess](#) [@243Rin](#) Such a shame there can be a them & us feeling - We are all working for the child! [#SpecialEDchat](#)

 17 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

[@MissTweet_NQT](#) Fantastic to read this :-)
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 17 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@NicoleWhitelaw](#) Twitter is great for collaboration with passionate, enthusiastic educators.
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 15 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success
@SpectrumSuccess

[@MissTweet_NQT](#) Don't forget to stretch & challenge them too :-)
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 13 MINUTES AGO



Joe White
@jw_teach

[@SpectrumSuccess](#) [@243Rin](#) That knowledge should be sought and built into BSPs and IEPs.
[#SpecialEDchat](#)

 13 MINUTES AGO



Amanda Meyer

@243Rin

@jw_teach sorry I was in and out Joe! Getting ready for work etc. 😞 but I hope it isn't just a pop up? #SpecialEDchat



12 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @243Rin Absolutely - but so often it isn't & sadly parent/carer feels excluded #SpecialEDchat



11 MINUTES AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

I enjoyed it a lot if people want another chat just let me know. Thank you for taking part @243Rin #SpecialEDchat



11 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

@NicoleWhitelaw I never fail to be surprised by the incredible talents & skills of learners - love it! #SpecialEDchat



9 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

@jw_teach @NicoleWhitelaw And that is the amazing thing about learning....it is lifelong! #SpecialEDchat



9 MINUTES AGO



Joe White

@jw_teach

Would anyone like another #SpecialEDchat tweet me a topic! twitter.com/lenabellina/st...



6 MINUTES AGO



Spectrum Success

@SpectrumSuccess

[@jw_teach](#) [@243Rin](#) Sadly it is often the case of a sch not wanting to engage with a parent/carer of a learner with SEND [#SpecialEDchat](#)



6 MINUTES AGO