#### Improving transitions for Children and Families

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#### Improving transitions children and families

#### **Young Parents**



Where did we want to make a difference?

- Reduce the number of LAC
- Reduce Child Poverty
- Reduce Teenage Conceptions
- Reduce obesity

What do we want to improve?

- Narrow the gap to improve standards
- Improve parenting skills
- Improve family qualifications
- Improve work ready skills
- Increase employment
- Support Communities
- Provide Continuity and Progress



#### Improving transitions- working together

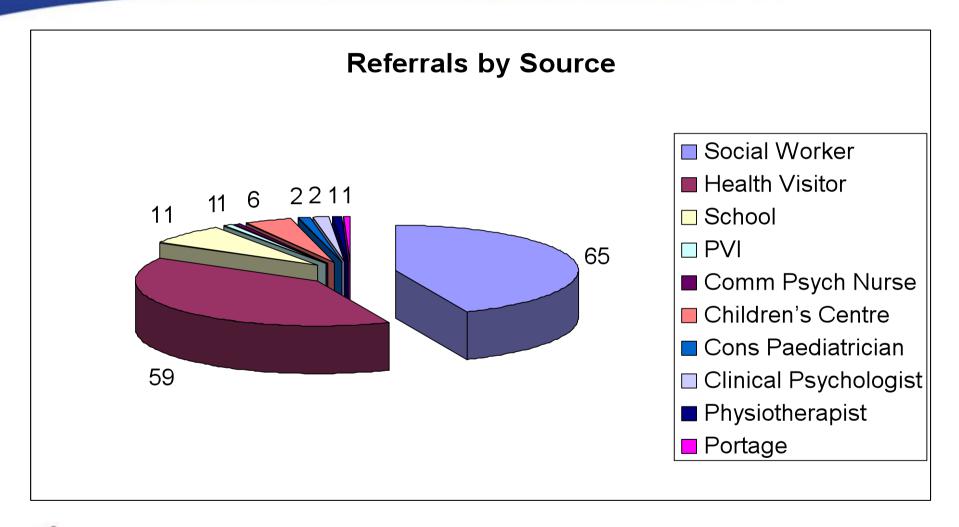


- LAA, Council and Children and Young People's Plans
- 'Must Shifts'
- 'Families First'
- Parent Forum
- Well-Being Panel0-5 years
- Early support range of settings

- 'One Team' integrated working
- Culture is non judgemental
- •Training A range of initiatives including; High Scope, Buddying project, Outreach PCSAs.

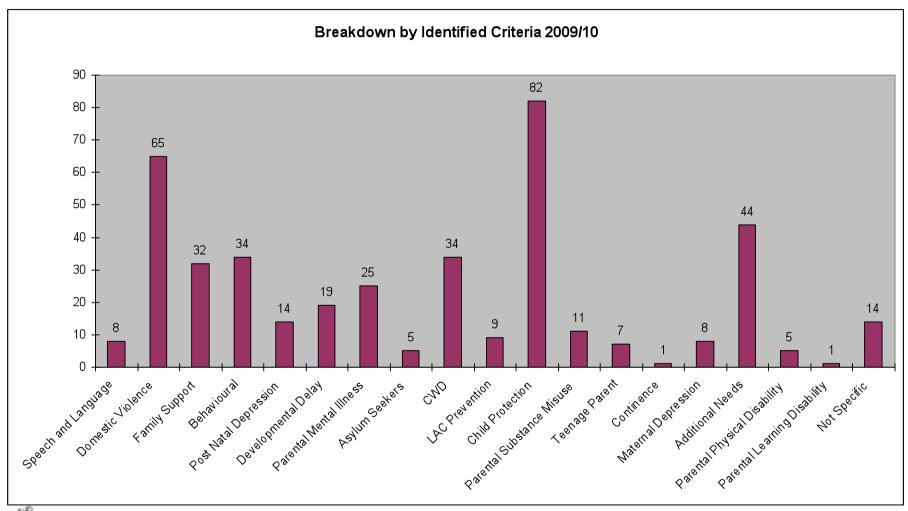
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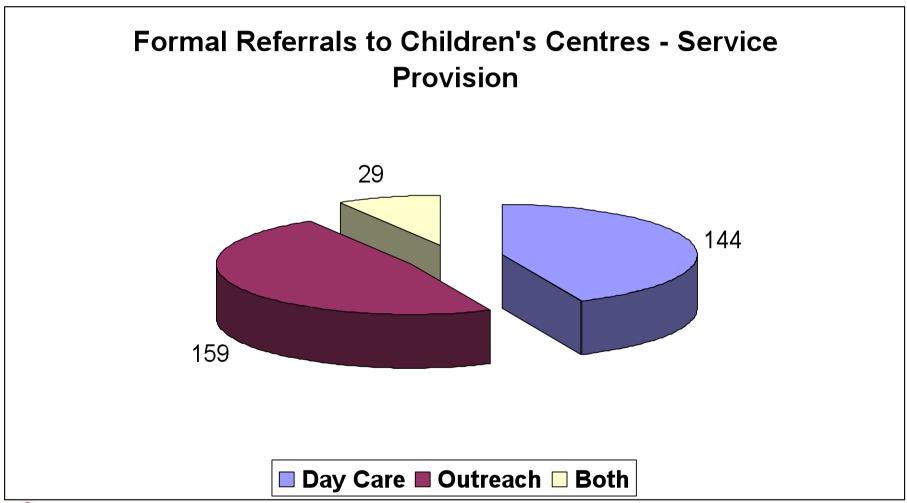


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#### Transitions improved results data

#### **Children Achieved**

Foundation Stage Profile improved

Children scoring 6 or mores on

- PSED up to 63% [from 52.2]
- CLL up to 50.7 [from 42.5]
- Percentage gap now in line with National picture 33.9%
- Challenging targets set for 2011 gap of 30.6%

# Parents achieved improved results

- 1500+ parents carers attended courses
- 750 achieved Entry level
   1and 2 and
- Level 1 and 2 Literacy and Numeracy
- 50 Progression to Level 3
- Apprenticeships
- Parenting skills to level 2
- Driving qualifications
- Even level 4 going onto University



### **Improving transitions ACL**

commissioning family learning

Entry programmes include;

Provider

• Young Mums to be PCT

Antenatal class

• Early Start Children's Centres

Family values

Sunderland FC

Strengthening Families

Barnardos

Keeping up with the Children schools

• Little Angels Children's Centres

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#### Improving transitions Parents and Carers

#### <u>Commissioning – Funding - Quality Assurance</u>



Parents as true partners in learning

- Engagement to Empowerment
- Retention and Progression
- Volunteering
- Employment
- Emotional resilience
- Children's achievements
- Qualifications for the family
- Lifelong Learning supporting them and their child's transition beyond Secondary School



#### Improving transitions family learning



Learning to -

- Succeed -Concentration
- Cope when its too hard
- Share and help others

Achieving qualifications

Parents facilitating an art session for other parents and carers



### Improving transitions new experiences



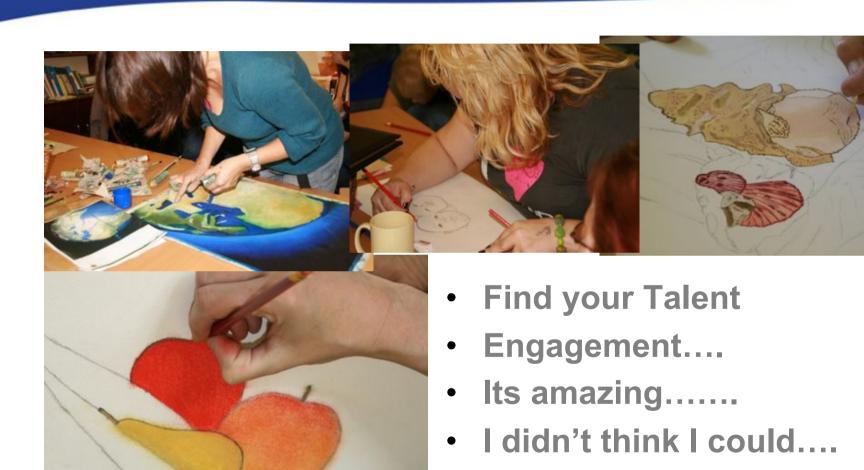


- Wide range of new opportunities to try out
- 'Find Your Talent' parents and carers get to try the same activities as their children





#### Improving transitions engagement





#### Improving transitions Healthy lifestyles



- Out door play
- Physically active
- Explain how they learn

- Culture change
- Trying new foods at breakfast
- Healthy eating





#### Improving transitions involving dads



- Making a Christmas wreath together
- Trial and error
- Gaining confidence together

- Effective engagement of Parents carers and extended family members
- Learning to do new things together
- Unique qualities and characteristics of each is valued
- Effective
   Partnerships to
   fund and provide
   the programmes



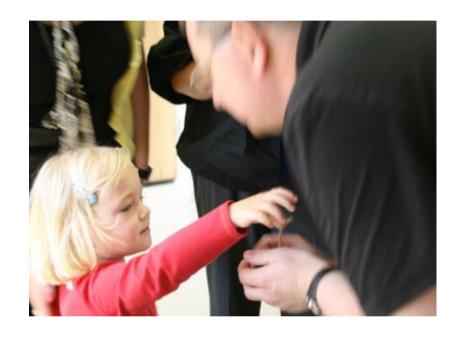
#### Improving transitions gardening together



Going to work or take a walk in the allotment Gaining knowledge and understanding of the world.



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Saying goodbye!

I grew this for you!





#### Improving transitions Early learning goals



- Aspiration
- Ambition
- Confidence
- Fun
- Active learning
- Problem solving
- Personal and Social development
- Motivate and engross



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- Planning
- Co-operating
- Collaborating
- Trying together
- Understanding



### Improving transitions feeling valued





#### Improving transitions a sense of belonging



# **Outcomes for Parents** and Carers

- New Achievements
- Over coming their nerves
- New found Confidence

Singing Carols to the class and then the whole school!

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#### Improving transitions — the learning journey so far



The final curtain applauded by the whole school and visitors



Who knows what's next? They do!