

# The Achievement for All Schools Programme





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### What is the Achievement for All Programme?

A framework for whole school improvement that focuses on students who are vulnerable and disadvantaged, including children identified with SEN (special educational needs), Looked After Children and those receiving Free School Meals



# From the Lamb Inquiry 2009 to the Children and Families Act (2014)



"There needs to be a much clearer focus on both attainment and wider outcomes for disabled children and children with SEN (special educational need) at every level of the system."

(Brian Lamb, OBE, 8 December 2008)

- 2012: "to ensure schools have access to what works well the government has funded the national roll out of Achievement for All to all schools in England". (SEN Green Paper Response: DfE)
- 2013: "As the committee notes in its report, we are enabling all schools to benefit from the highly successful Achievement for All approach....and we will reflect the key features of that approach in the Code of Practice." (Children and Families Bill, contextual information and responses to prelegislative scrutiny)



- Working with over 2000 schools across the UK
- More than one million pupils have had access to the Achievement for All Programme
- The Average Point Score gain in reading, writing and maths is **4.4** across the 650 schools completing the first year of the programme, compared with 3 for all children across England
- Improved parental and carer engagement
- Improved pupil attendance and behaviour
- Teachers reporting increased confidence in tailoring their teaching to meet the specific needs of pupils in their classes

### The Achievement for All Schools Programme Impact evidence

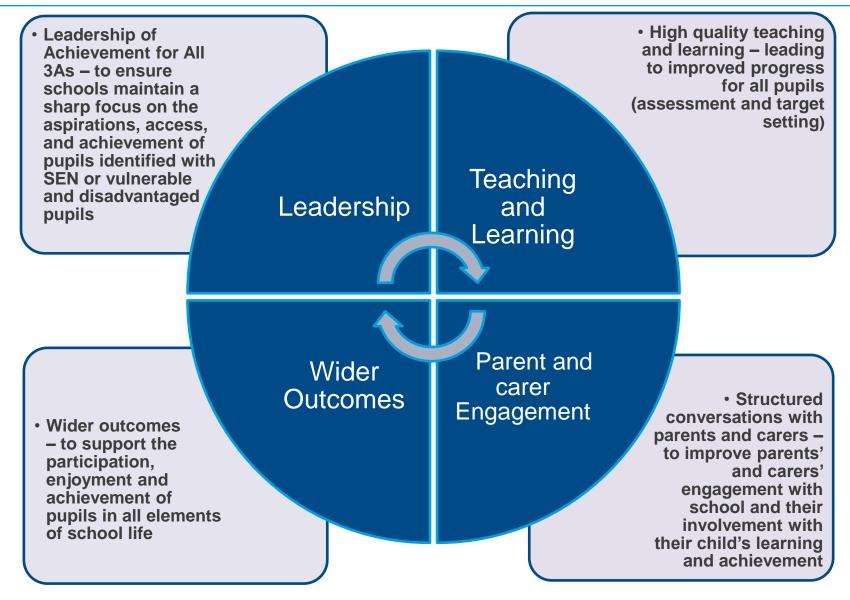
### Average progress<sup>2</sup> made by Achievement for All target pupil groups to December 2013

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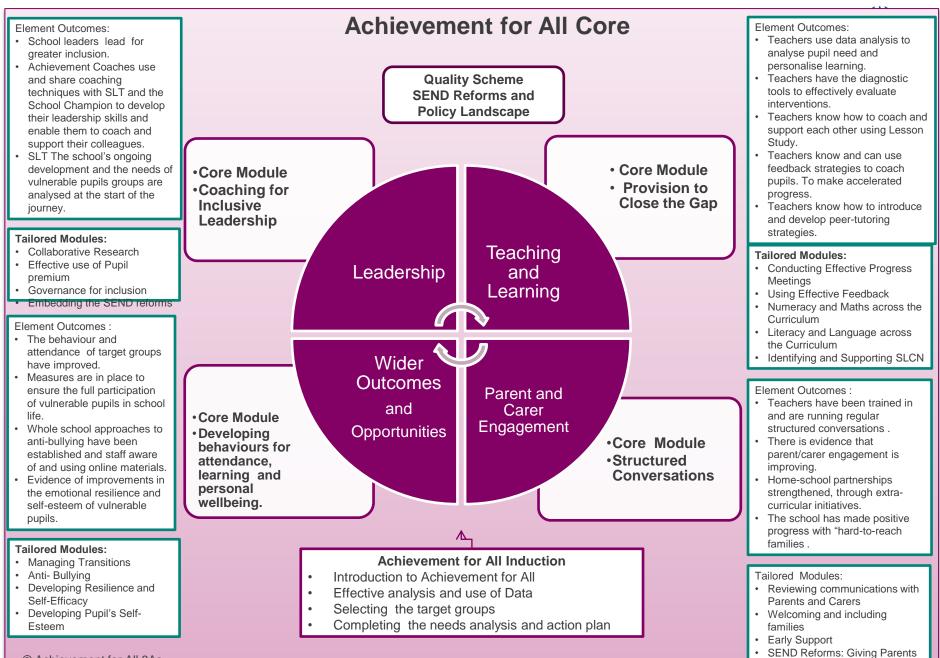
### **The Four Elements**





The Schools Programme has recently been enhanced with content and materials refined offering

- Core elements
- Module elements
- Other bespoke elements



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#### **Leadership**

**Core module:** Coaching for Inclusive Leadership

**Tailored modules** Effective use of pupil premium Governance for Inclusion Collaborative Research Embedding SEND reforms

#### High Quality Teaching and Learning

**Core module:** Provision to Close the Gap

Tailored Modules: Conducting effective progress meetings Using Effective Feedback Speech, Language and Communication Numeracy and Maths across the Curriculum Literacy and Language across the curriculum

#### **Wider Outcomes and Opportunities**

**Core Module:** Developing behaviours for attendance, learning and personal well-being

**Tailored Modules:** Managing Transitions Anti-Bullying Developing resilience and self-efficacy Parental Engagement (birth and foster parents)

Core Module: Structured Conversations

Tailored Modules: Reviewing communications with parent and carers Welcoming and including families Early Support SEND reforms: giving parents and carers a voice



The work and approach of the Achievement for All Schools Programme is referenced in Chapter 6 (guidance for schools) of the **SEND Code of Practice** (DfE, 2014).

The Schools Programme will support you in **implementing the requirements** of the new Code.

### **The Achievement for All Programme**



- Schools identify a School Champion to lead the programme
- An Achievement Coach is assigned and visits regularly
- Achievement for All materials & access to Community of Practice
- Network meetings to share good practice

### The process

- Identify target pupils
- Undertake a needs analysis
- Whole school introduction to Achievement for All
- Training in structured conversations for key teachers
- School improvement activities
- Baseline data and termly reporting

### Parental engagement and the Structured Achievement for All (\*) Conversation

- Structured conversations are a vehicle for changing the dynamic of school-parent relationships.
- Parents and carers are listened to and given a voice. They contribute to planning and target-setting
- Structured conversations are **purposeful**
- Active partnerships are forged between school and home
- **Key Teachers** are trained to use the structure (*Explore, Focus, Plan, Review*) and skills of
  - ✓ active listening
  - ✓ paraphrasing and reflecting back
  - ✓ summarising
  - ✓ choice points



Achievement for All provides a system of measurement and accountability that will support **Ofsted** inspections and effective use of **Pupil Premium**, enabling you to demonstrate improved rates of progress for vulnerable and disadvantaged pupils.

Pupil Premium funding can be used to fund The Achievement for All Schools Programme.



The Achievement for All Schools Programme is **part-funded by the DfE** and delivered by Achievement for All 3As, an independent education charity.

The charity draws from a number of grants and pricing bands reflect feedback from schools to ensure it is **accessible to schools of any size**.



School Price Band	Annual price (exc. VAT)	Number of FSM Pupil Premium Payments to cover fees
Very small schools (100 pupils or less)	£2,000	2
101-220 pupils	£6,800	5-7
221-440 pupils	£7,150	6-8
440+ pupils	£7,500	6-8

All prices shown are the annual fees for each year of the initial two-year Schools Programme and are exclusive of VAT



"It's about whole school change. You know this is happening by listening to the type of conversations that teachers have now. When the language changes – that's when you know that a programme has had a fundamental impact."

> Julia Hunt, Head teacher Brightlingsea Infant School, Essex Achievement for All Ambassador



### Leadership & Management

- Raised the profile of using APS for monitoring progress
- Engaging with AfA governor who now has a good understanding of priorities

- A developing awareness amongst staff of movement within a sublevel
- An embedded ethos of improving outcomes for vulnerable learners



# High Quality Teaching & Learning

- Specificity of target setting
- written feedback based on APP

- Highly specific targets given in SC with clear evidence of these targets being met. A year 5 student moved from 1A-2C+ in three weeks
- Increasing consistency of written feedback with student dialogue becoming evident



### **Structured Conversation**

 Extensive work with class teachers on maximising the role of the SC including supporting parents with materials to enable the child to achieve the targets

- Several hard to reach parents now engaged
- Clear evidence of targets being met
- Several students making 3APS progress within weeks of the SC



### **Wider Outcomes**

- Focus groups with children in AfA cohorts
- Development of a sewing club based on interests that have emerged from SC

- AfA specific activities for the cohorts
- Children very keen to meet again to discuss their progress with their teacher and SENCo



### **QUALITY FRAMEWORK**

#### **School Status**

presented to all schools on joining Achievement for All to recognise their engagement with the programme and their membership of the Achievement for All community

#### **Quality Mark**

for schools engaged in Achievement for during the two-year programme that can demonstrate positive outcomes against each of the four elements

#### **Quality Lead**

for schools engaged in Achievement for during the two-year programme that can demonstrate exceptional progress and significant leadership against each of the four elements



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