

Who leads the MSC?

The Multi-Schools Council is led by Kierran Pearce, an inspirational teacher at Market Field school who is committed to promoting positive perceptions around children and young people with SEND and inspiring children and young people to make changes in their own communities.

We are a school and would love to be part of the MSC. How do we join?

All schools are very welcome to join the MSC and membership is free. Please email Kierran using the email below to join. There are three meetings each year, plus community events, and schools can bring between five and eight pupils to each meeting.

I feel equally as strongly about changing perceptions and would like to help develop and grow the Multi-Schools Council. I am over 18.

We are looking to continue to grow the MSC over the next two years and are looking for leaders who would like to work alongside Kierran to develop the MSC in their local area. Please email Kierran on the contact below if you would like to have an informal chat to see how you could become part of the MSC team.

I would like to share my ideas and work with other young people to make my community a better place. I am under 18 years of age.

The MSC have Young Ambassadors who lead on projects that they feel strongly about. Please have a look at our website for stories about our MSC ambassadors. We always welcome new young people to join the MSC.

For all enquiries please email:

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Invitation to join the Multi-Schools Council

Promoting positive perceptions about people with special educational needs and disabilities



**We may all be different but
we have the same smile**

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What is the Multi-Schools Council?

The Multi-Schools Council (MSC) is a growing movement of children and young people who work together to develop their understanding of different Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Their vision is to belong to schools and local communities that are not only aware of differences but understand and value each other's unique contributions. By joining the MSC, children can attend local meetings with children from other mainstream and special schools to learn more about each other and share ideas about how we can improve school life and learning for children and young people with SEND.

"When our children visited the special school for the first time, they were amazed by what they saw. Giving all types of children the chance to see different schools is a great way of breaking down perceptions"

What happens at Multi-Schools Council?

The children set the agenda each year and work together on projects that matter to them; last year the focus was anti-bullying and tackling issues around mental health. The children work to organize community events each year, such as a talent show, community fair and the Special School Games. Back in their own school, children are challenged to make small changes to their own community to help improve the daily experiences of children with SEND.

"After every MSC meeting or event, my child comes home and teaches us so much about autism and lots of different needs. He is so enthusiastic"

Multi Schools Council Football Team

There is now a MSC football team based in Colchester. With the support of Wivenhoe Youth Football Club and the Essex FA the MSC have developed a disabilities football team. Sessions are held on a Saturday morning behind Market Field School, Elmstead Market, CO7 7ET. If you are interested in playing for this young supportive team or interested in helping coach the team, please get in touch with Kierran. Contact details are on the back of this leaflet.

Latest News: Sam and the Spider

The MSC is celebrating another exciting and successful year, culminating in the publication of a picture book 'Sam and the Spider'. Every primary school and library in Essex will be receiving a free copy over the next term to celebrate the achievements of the MSC. Copies can be bought on Amazon with all profits supporting the work of the MSC.

In the News: Going the extra mile!

Next summer the leader of the MSC, Kierran Pearce is planning to walk to every special educational needs school in Essex over five days - the equivalent of a marathon a day for five days!

"I have got to do a lot of training, but what we are hoping to do is pick up people along the way to join us at different legs. The idea came from a multi schools meeting, it's to raise awareness of the MSC and special educational needs schools"

To find out more about the challenge and support the MSC, visit his fundraising page at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/kierran-pearce

Dates for your diary

Meetings are held in South, Mid and North Essex every term. This year there are plans to introduce the MSC to the West of Essex and dates have been set (see below). Venues will be announced shortly.

NORTH EAST	MID
Thursday 22 nd November 2018 Thursday 31 st January 2019 Thursday 9 th May 2019	Thursday 29 th November 2018 Thursday 17 th January 2019 Thursday 16 th May 2019
SOUTH	WEST
Thursday 15 th November 2018 Thursday 24 th January 2019 Thursday 23 rd May 2019	Thursday 6 th December 2018 Thursday 14 th February 2019 Thursday 6 th June 2019