



# HOW CAN WE HELP?

Group 1

# TRANSITIONS IN GERMANY

## Kindergarten to primary

- Paired up with a buddy from last year of school to help show the kid around.
- Visits held from kindergarten to the primary so that kids can get used to the new place.

## Primary to secondary

- Induction days before you move when older kids show you around.
- Then once moved an induction week is held when getting to know you games are held and information about the school is shared.
- Children with additional needs are introduced to their assistant class teacher who will support them in class.
- Child with additional need is shown their additional room where they can go to relax when things get hard or to participate in team building exercises.

# HELP FOR CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN GERMANY

- Extra class teachers who take special care of CWAN
- Additional rooms
- Social workers who accompany and help
- Stay with friends from your school
- Social worker who does everything for you

# TRANSITIONS IN THE NETHERLANDS

## Nursery to Primary

- 'Practice days' where the kid comes to the class and sees how everything works
- Meeting with the teachers
- A personal report on the kid and teacher

## Primary to Secondary

- Looking around at schools before you go
- Test to indicate your level
- Meeting with teachers and counsellor

# HELP FOR KIDS WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN THE NETHERLANDS

- Social workers present who help people with mental health problems
- Mentors (teacher assigned to students for support)
- Special schools for Down's Syndrome, blind and hard of hearing kids (optional)
- Counsellor who helps Autistic children
- Extra classes for the highly intelligent
- Extra classes for failing/difficult subjects
- Frontesterium (help with homework, ADD, ADHD etc.)
- Lifts, ramps, special toilets, desks, rooms etc.

# TRANSITIONS IN SWEDEN

## Nursery to Primary

- The nursery visit the school together to see how it works.
- The teachers in nursery have a dialog with the mentor teacher in primary school about the kids who will start.
- The kids also go and play at the school in the summer holiday.

## Primary to Secondary

- The pupil visit some schools both with parents and teachers to see which school the pupil will choose.
- In the beginning when the new class don't know each other they will do get to know activities.

# HELP FOR KIDS WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN SWEDEN

- Extra teachers for the kids who can't concentrate or have problem with the works in classroom.
- Group rooms
- Help with homework after school
- I-pads and computers
- Programs at computer for dyslexia

# TRANSITIONS IN SCOTLAND

## Nursery to primary

- Children get paired with someone from primary 7 to help them with reading and getting to know the school.
- The first couple of weeks of half days as to not shock the kids with the big school.
- Child with additional needs is introduced their learning assistant who helps them with da to day things in school.

## Primary to secondary

- 3 induction days before summer of 1<sup>st</sup> year to get pupils used to new school and to meet new teachers and pupil in their class
- In the last year of primary students from different school meet at each others school
- Children with additional needs get extra induction days



# HELP FOR KIDS WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN SCOTLAND

- Buddy's
- support reading for children who find it difficult
- Additional teachers
- Lunch clubs
- Laptops available for people how need them
- Children who's English isn't their first language are buddies up in classed with people who also speak their language
- Children with additional needs get extra time in exams, use of a computer or a separate room to do an exam in if they have anxiety.

# TRANSITIONS INTO UNIVERSITY

## Student

- If have a friend with an if now additional need make sure that you that you tell them anything you know about the application process.
- Support friends who have additional and are going to the same university as you.

## Teacher

- Organise trips to job conventions
- Additional trips to universities
- Meet with the students to make sure that they are clear on what information they have to supply to the university about their additional need.

# OUR IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENTS

- More information
  - about mental health & sexual orientation
- Proof read
  - Students who check what you wrote
  - Help you if you don't know how to spell something
- Buddy system 2.0
  - people with special needs In older years buddy younger kids with additional needs
  - Your not alone
  - Somebody that know your problems too