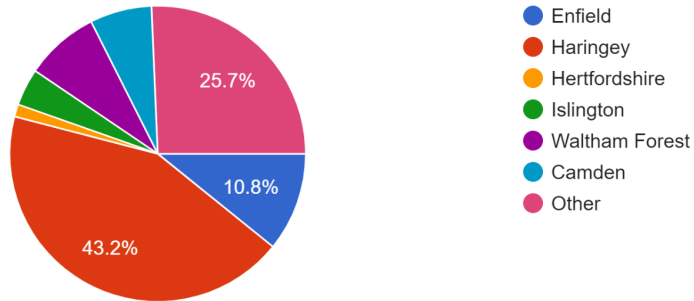


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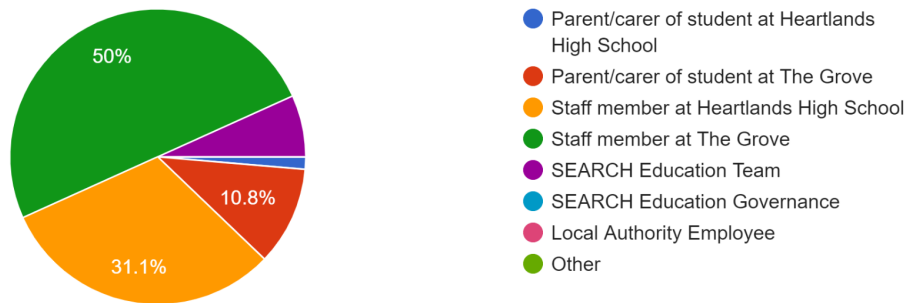
Where do you live?

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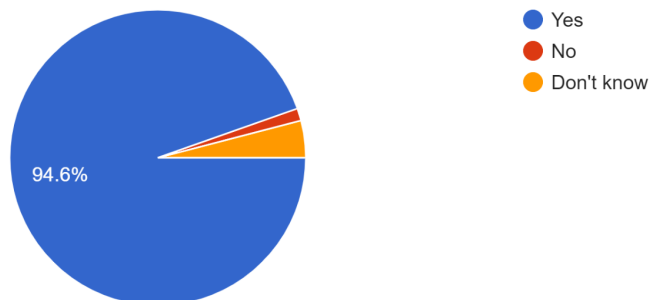
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Have your say - should SEARCH Education Trust bid to open a free school for autism in Enfield?

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Following on from the success of The Grove, this new school would be a fantastic addition to the Trust. They would benefit greatly from the excellent leadership and guidance from Mrs Santi and her team. In addition, it would be wonderful to welcome a new family to our current MAT. I thoroughly support this new venture and I am delighted that the primary children and families in Enfield will have an opportunity to learn and grow in a safe and accomplished environment.

This would be a fantastic opportunity for children in another Borough to get the help and support they need without having to travel too far.

The Grove is a wonderful school and in the year my child has been there they have thrived. My own borough of Camden does not have enough of this type of provision and I feel it should be offered to more autistic children who struggle so severely in a mainstream provision. I think secondary schools are needed too.

Not enough special education needs schools focusing on Autism in the UK. Too many parents are forced to send their autistic children to schools that are not adapted nor willing to adapt to their complex needs.

We do not not have enough primary schools in London for children with Autism. We really need more schools for autistic children with additional needs.

As a teacher I have taught many students with autism and other needs that cannot cope well in mainstream, yet there is a lack of provision in our community to support them. This will be a great benefit to Enfield and the Grove is an example of how a successful school can support students with these additional needs and help them to thrive.

Will be an excellent provision for Enfield

This will bring more SEND Children a better way to learn as all boroughs are full and no spaces available for Autism Children. A new Free School will benefit the communities.

Great idea

There is a real need within Enfield borough for the provision. They are spending a fortune sending students OOB and don't currently have adequate provision. We are also oversubscribed and unable to admit any additional students

This Trust has a track record of excellent outcomes in different settings. I am proud to work at this trust and would love to see it expand

I think it would be good to support a borough that does not currently have the means to support Autistic children by opening a new school similar to the Grove. It would be great to share good practice and would also be nice to gain others' expertise and work collaboratively together as schools for Autism and therefore those with expertise on teaching those with Autism are few and far between.

I think it will be a great opportunity for autistic children to be welcome in a special school instead of struggling and feeling not included in a mainstream school

The Grove is an established special school in Haringey that has an Outstanding Ofsted. It would be beneficial for the Autistic community to be able to access a high quality equivalent setting in Enfield.

Go for it, it will make big difference to the students and community in future I'm sure wherever the school is opened

The Grove currently provides a much needed and high quality provision. Increased educational provision in Enfield is clearly needed and The Grove have proven that they can provide this.

There is a huge need for more special school places for autistic children. Many are currently not able to access mainstream education at all and many others find it very difficult. I think it is really important that more special school places are created and I believe that SEARCH Education Trust is able to do this very successfully.

The local area is in desperate need of SEN school places - giving us the opportunity to set up and run a new school would be fantastic.

I think it will be a great addition in supporting young people in Enfield

The Grove school has developed a robust curriculum which is supported by the Outstanding Ofsted inspection.

The Grove School strives to be a centre of excellence.

It's a great idea and we really need more schools for our children with autism and other learning difficulties

I have no additional comments

We are successfully running The Grove and it is time we expand.

The quality of provision is excellent in the SEARCH schools and I believe that other students should get the opportunity to experience this

It would be beneficial to know more about the plans and potential provision this new school would offer.

The important thing is that the current services remain consolidated. With expansion sometimes it can be that people need to be shared with other schools etc - stretched out. Then the impact is that the current services can start showing cracks. Therefore, the good service that is currently being offered, can start showing a decline. This can apply not only for the current schools but also for the new ones

I think this will be fantastic

This will help children with ASD to get a space in a school provision where their needs can be met within a reasonable time.

Exciting opportunity and well needed in the area.

There is a pressing need to establish specialised schools that cater specifically to the needs of students with autism. The current shortage of available spaces for these students highlights the importance of addressing their unique requirements.

The Grove has given my son a chance to achieve and be himself. My son is happy to go to school everyday. The staff are very supportive and work hard.

It's clear that there is a need for special schools. If The Grove school can be replicated in another area it would be a wonderful achievement for children with special needs and the Headteacher.

I think it's a good idea to have another autistic school. Children in Enfield would benefit from this school

As a staff member of the Grove, my comments shall focus on how this might impact staff. Opening a new school in Enfield will likely see a shift in working locations as some staff would prefer to work closer to home. (Some pupils are also likely to move, leading to additional vacancies at the Grove). This could see the Grove lose some experienced staff to the new school

but it would also provide more opportunities for collaborative work. However, since another Trust could open a school in Enfield, it is better SEARCH do so to keep the expertise in-house.

It would also give opportunities for staff currently at the Grove to take on new roles, possibly with multisite working. Some SLT have had to do this already but there could be scope for some other specialist roles to be shared, such as in safeguarding.

The Grove has proven to be successful and is obviously doing something right. It makes sense to share this expertise and learn in the process for the benefit of autistic children across North London.

I think it would be brilliant to have another school for autistic young people, especially in Enfield as it is where I live and there is a great need for another school.

We need more specialist provision in and around Haringey! there is a national lack of provision. So the more the better. I really hope it will happen

Amazing idea! Following the outstanding ofsted rating at the grove and the hard work of all the staff, Lucia and SLT this would be an amazing venture to be part of!

At the Grove we provide excellent opportunities for pupils, it would be beneficial for children living in Enfield to have such an amazing place to learn and grow.

I believe that a free school that will support students with Autism is vitally important, especially at this stage of learning. Many students need the early intervention which can often be missed throughout Primary education.

I am also in support especially as I have a child with a diagnosis of Autism. He went to an amazing Primary school in Haringey who flagged up concerns early on, supported my son and myself through the process of diagnosis and adapted their learning for his needs.

This potentially new provision will be a great source of supported education for students and parents.

I think this is extremely important. A school for young children on the autism spectrum adapted to their needs. This will allow for the best development from an early age. This is a solution not only for children, but also for lost parents. Parents who are often in shock and know nothing about autism are terrified. Such a school would give children on the spectrum equitable access to education. Education tailored to their needs. Great idea. I have high hopes that it will work.

The Grove is outstanding and offers excellent teaching and career opportunities for SEND pupils. I thoroughly enjoy working here and feel I have been part of an outstanding team that should be spread across the Borough of Enfield.

If we can more schools like The Grove then the world would be a better place