

Parent2Parent® FAQs for schools

Q. What is Parent2Parent®?

The **Parent2Parent®** programme provides an entirely new support service to schools, enabling parents and carers to gain confidence and new skills that will actively support learning at home. It is focused on generic learning themes and is not specific to the curriculum or specific subjects.

The **Parent2Parent®** programme adopts a modular approach, with each module focused on a different learning technique. The programme comprises six practical modules, which are delivered in school to parents/carers.

Q. How can schools access the Parent2Parent® programme?

Schools can subscribe to the service, and an HfL **Parent2Parent®** trainer will deliver the programme to parents in their school. Please note, that the suggested maximum number of parents/carers attending each module is 20.

Alternatively, schools may cluster together and subscribe to the service, with the programme being delivered in an agreed location to parents/carers from the cluster schools.

Q. Who is the Parent2Parent® programme targeted at?

The **Parent2Parent®** programme is universal and is relevant to parents/carers of children of all ages and all abilities. It can be run in primary, secondary and special schools.

Q. Who is running the Parent2Parent® programme?

The **Parent2Parent®** programme has been developed and is being run by Herts for Learning, the UK's largest not for profit Schools Company.

Q. What are the benefits to a school of being involved in the Parent2Parent® programme?

Parents as partners with schools in the learning process can, according to a breadth of research, improve pupil outcomes, thereby supporting the school improvement agenda. By participating in **Parent2Parent®**, schools will be able to actively support and promote parental engagement, without creating additional workload for their staff, and will be awarded HfL's new **Investor in Parents** status.

Investor in Parents has been developed by HfL to highlight schools that are committed to, and are actively involved in engaging with the parents.

Three status levels are available: bronze, silver and gold. Schools will be awarded the appropriate status, based on their ongoing commitment to the **Parent2Parent®** programme and other evidence-based activity that values and actively promotes the importance of parental involvement in learning. Schools will receive the Investor in Parents award and logo, which can be displayed on relevant materials.



Bronze status – schools must complete one **Parent2Parent®** programme (six modules), with a minimum of five parents/carers participating in each module.



Silver status – schools must complete two **Parent2Parent®** programmes (six modules per programme), with a minimum of ten parents/carers participating in each module or one **Parent2Parent®** programme (six modules), with a minimum of twenty parents/carers participating in each module.



Gold status – schools must complete two Parent2parent programmes (six modules in each programme), with a minimum of fifteen parents/carers participating in each module. It is highly desirable that the school has a trained parent lead that delivers the second programme. Schools must also have clear evidence that a range of activities and programmes adopted by the school or setting are having demonstrable impact on a child's learning as a result of working in partnership with parents/carers. This evidence will be detailed on a whole-school self-evaluation and review matrix and a moderation visit by HfL will be carried out.

Additional cost: One day consultancy fee which will include a half day visit to review practice and talk with stakeholders, plus a written report and certificate.

Q. Who delivers The Parent2Parent® programme?

The **Parent2Parent®** programme is delivered by a Herts for Learning **Parent2Parent®** trainer. Once parents/carers have completed the programme (six modules), they may apply to be trained as a **Parent2Parent®** trainer, a Parent Lead. On successful completion of the Parent Lead training, Parent Leads are licensed to deliver the **Parent2Parent®** programme to other parents/carers in their school.

Q. How much does it cost to take part in the programme?

The cost of subscribing to the **Parent2Parent®** programme is £1,235, which includes delivery of six **Parent2Parent®** modules, plus resources for parents/carers, which can be taken home and used after the programme.

If schools opt to cluster, this cost can be shared between the cluster schools.

Once a parent/carer has completed the programme, they can apply to be trained as a Parent Lead. The cost for this training, for up to two parents/carers to attend is £1,235. This is charged to the school and includes a Parent Lead resource pack, a marketing support pack, a minimum of ten hours training for a Parent Lead, quality assurance and supervision, an evaluation summary following the delivery of the programme and ongoing support for Parent Leads throughout the training and programme delivery.

All costs associated with the **Parent2Parent®** programme can be met through contributions from parents/carers wishing to attend sessions or from Pupil Premium funding, where appropriate.

Subscribing to the **Parent2Parent®** programme is a long term investment for schools, as once trained, a Parent Lead may deliver as many modules/series of modules as required by the school.

Herts for Learning will provide ongoing quality assurance, training and support for Parent Leads, and as new modules are developed, these will be shared with the Parents Leads.

Q. Who should I contact if I want to subscribe to the Parent2Parent® programme for my school?

If you are interested in subscribing to the **Parent2Parent®** programme for your school, please contact a member of the **Parent2Parent®** team via email on p2p@hertsforlearning.co.uk or call **01438 845111**.



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