BELONG Framework® Overview

A Parent-Led, Evidence-Informed Framework powered by The SEND Accountability Project Ltd

Core Framework Overview

The BELONG Framework® is designed for schools, services, and local authorities to build deeply inclusive cultures. It moves organizations beyond structural or regulatory compliance to establish sustainable environments rooted firmly in relationships, participation, and shared accountability.

The Six Interconnected Pillars

Pillar	Core Focus & Intent
Build Relationships	Establishes deep trust, proactive collaboration, mutual respect, and transparent communication.
Equity and Access	Focuses on fairness, systematically removing barriers, and ensuring equal access to all services.
Leadership for Inclusion	Drives strategic direction, fosters shared responsibility, and embeds clear structural accountability.
Opportunities to Thrive	Fosters positive, identity-safe environments built heavily on aspiration, personal development, and growth.
Nurturing Participation	Directly embeds parent/child voice, active consultation pathways, and meaningful co-production.
Growth, Outcomes, Impact	Uses evidence-based evaluation and rigorous impact measurement for ongoing, continuous learning.

The SEND Accountability Project® Focus

This mechanism strengthens structural implementation by actively reviewing eight operational areas to elevate lived experiences:

- Governance & Leadership
- SEND Provision & Practice

- Family Partnership & Stakeholder Participation
- Workforce Development & Training
- Quality Assurance & Long-term Outcomes

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