







Supporting children's mental health as schools re-open

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An **ethos and environment** that
promotes respect
and values diversity

Curriculum,
teaching and
learning to promote
resilience and support
social and emotional
learning

Targeted support and appropriate referral

Leadership and management that supports and champions efforts to promote emotional health and wellbeing Enabling student voice to influence decisions

Working with parents/carers

Identifying need and monitoring impact of interventions

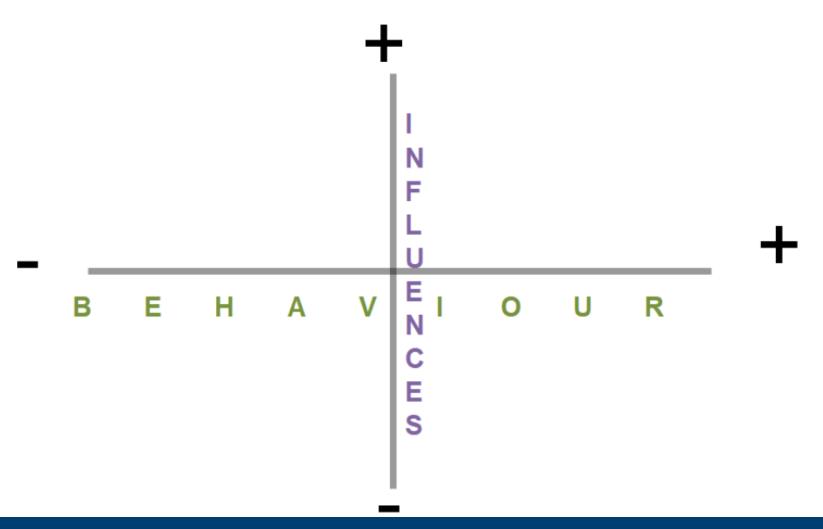
Staff
development
to support their own
wellbeing and that
of students

Behaviour is strongly related to mental health

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Behaviour & Influence

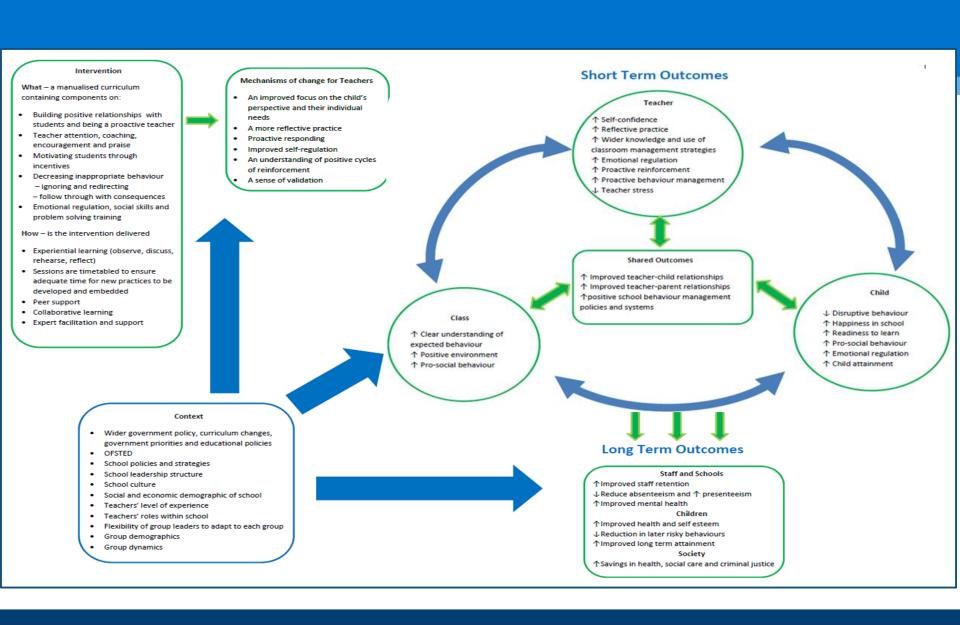




Factors that influence mental health and schools' role

Manage directly	Identify & influence	To be aware
Relationships in school	Relationships out of school	Home life
Teaching and learning environment	Home life	Culture
School organisation	Stress levels and coping skills	
Attitudes and self-concept	Behaviour out of school	
	Cognitive ability	
	Nutrition	
	Out of school social support	

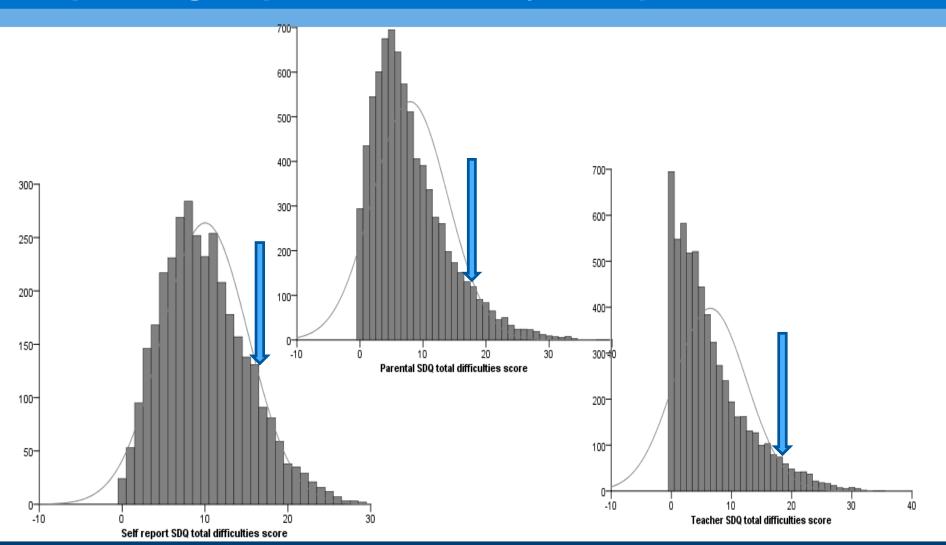








Those with mental health conditions are not a totally separate group; most are likely to cope well





Vulnerable groups to consider

Those with pre-existing mental health conditions may have felt better at home

Anxiety / depression may reduce attendance

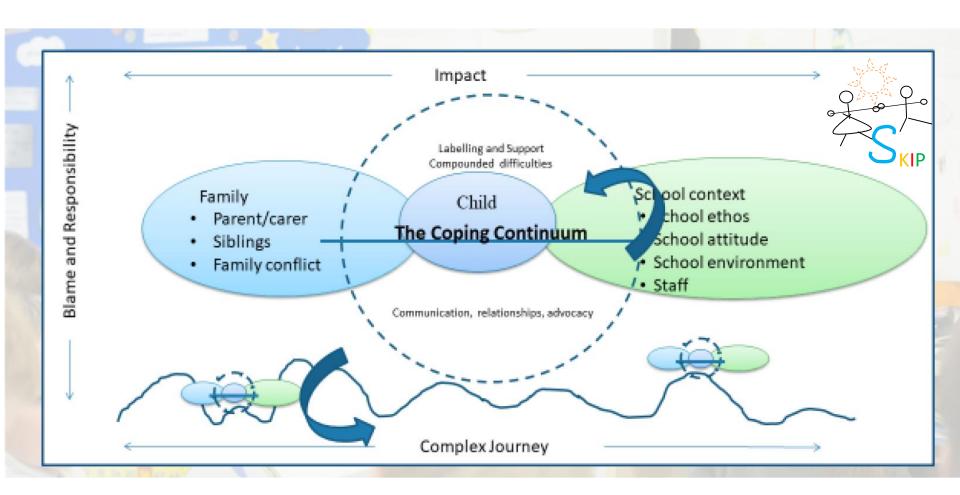
Those with adverse experience

- Infection may have neuropsychiatric effects and trauma
- Bereavement
- Financial strain

Those with SEND

ASC will struggle with change







Useful information

- https://www.minded.org.uk/
- https://www.acamh.org/learning/
- https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/mental-health/parents-and-young-people
- https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/
- https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/tools/guidancereports/improving-behaviour-in-schools/
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