## HILLINGDON VIRTUAL SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN IN CARE

- London Borough of Hillingdon appointed a Virtual Headteacher in October 2008 to support looked after children's education and challenge services to ensure best outcomes.
- The Looked After Children's Education (LACE) Team is now managed by the Headteacher and the service is called Hillingdon Virtual School.
- In September 2009, the role of Designated Teacher for Looked After Children became a statutory role in all schools. This in to ensure that schools meet the individual needs of looked after pupils as a specific vulnerable group monitored by Ofsted.
- The Personal Education Plan (PEP) is a statutory document for all looked after children, which is completed every 6 months, in line with care planning reviews. The London Borough of Hillingdon has adopted the Pan London PEP to raise the level and quality of PEPs being completed across London.

## KS2 & KS4 ATTAINMENT OF LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN IN HILLINGDON SCHOOLS 2008-2009

There were 314 children looked after at 30 September 2008 who had been looked after for at least 12 months. Of these:

71% were eligible to receive full-time schooling during the school year. 23% of whom were covered by a statement of special educational needs (at some point during the academic year 2008-2009).

Key Stage 2	2009
Percentage of this cohort who sat all of these tests	73%
Percentage of this cohort attained at least level 4 in English	33%
Percentage of this cohort attained at least level 4 in mathematics	20%
Percentage of this cohort attained at least level 4 in science	33%

Key Stage 4	2009
Percentage of this cohort who sat at least 1 GCSE (or	
equivalent) examinations	61%
Percentage of this cohort who obtained at least 1 GCSE (or equivalent) at grade A* to G	61%
Percentage of this cohort who obtained at least 5 GCSEs (or equivalent) at grade A* to G	40%
Percentage of this cohort who obtained at least 5 GCSEs (or equivalent) at grade A* to C including English and mathematics	15%