

Support at school with the school support team (sot)

Information for parents or guardians

Your child has been registered for a meeting with the school support team (sot). As a parent, you probably have questions about that. What is a sot and what can it do for my child? What will be talked about, by whom and when? Can I as parent contribute? How will it affect my child? This information aims to answer these kinds of questions.

What is a school support team (sot)?

The sot is a team that helps the school to provide guidance to your child. The team includes the school's internal counsellor and teacher(s), a remedial educationalist or child psychologist from the RiBA partnership, a member of the district team, the parents and perhaps other experts, such as a youth nurse.

What is expected of me as a parent?

As a parent, you know your child best. Therefore, it is important that you attend the sot interview. We ask you to think in advance about how your child is at home and what you want to say about your child in the sot meeting. In preparation, the teacher or internal counsellor may sometimes have a discussion with your child at school and complete a questionnaire.

If you would like someone else to be present at the meeting, please feel free to indicate this to the internal counsellor. This could be, for example, a caregiver already involved with your child or family, but a partner, family member, neighbour or friend is also welcome.

You can also contact RiBA's parent officer via loket@swv-riba.nl or the internal counsellor at your child's school if you need support in preparing for the sot meeting.

What about my child's privacy?

The school will always ask you for permission in advance to discuss your child's personal information. An examination by a remedial

educationalist, for example, can only take place with your consent. Information about your child is stored in the RiBA partnership's secure digital registration system. This system is called Kindkans (www.kindkans.nl). The final responsibility for the sot lies with the head teacher at the school.

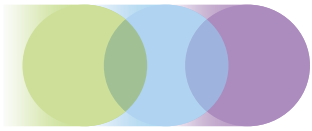


What does the sot do?

In the sot meeting, we talk to each other about your child. For example, what does your child like and what are they good at? What is difficult at school and at home and what is going well? The goal is that your child enjoys going to school (again) and develops as well as possible, both in learning and behaviour. Together, we discuss how best to achieve this and make clear agreements.

How does a sot meeting work?

The meeting lasts about 45 minutes. We try to make the discussion as smooth and pleasant as possible and, of course, ensure that everyone can have their say. Together, we discuss what is required to properly meet the



educational needs and come up with solutions. We end with clear agreements: who is going to do what, when and how? As a parent, you will receive a report of the sot from the school, to which you can respond.

The report of the sot is stored by school in Kindkans. Only RiBA and the internal counsellor at the school can store information in this secure digital system. As a parent or guardian you always have access to this information.

The internal counsellor at school can make an account for you to log into Kindkans.

What do we take to the next sot meeting?

In any subsequent sot meeting, progress is discussed: what is going well and what still needs attention. After the final sot meeting, we look back. Were our expectations and goals met? Have our questions been answered?

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and see you at the sot meeting!

