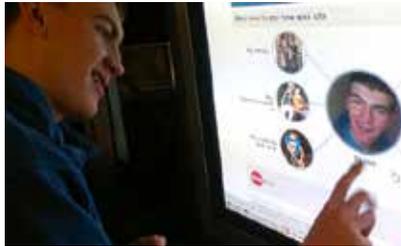


What the parents/carers say



Sam who is a parent to Shane, a young person with complex needs, is an advocate of the wiki being a tool that can help Shane get the quality of life he deserves.

Sam says:

“ It is vital to understand how a young person communicates. I always try to imagine what it would be like to be in a foreign country where no one speaks my language and believe that is what it must be like for Shane if he is being supported by someone who does not understand his language. Now when someone new works with Shane they now can learn all about Shane’s communication on his wiki.

I am delighted that Charlton Park Academy are offering this toolkit to all of Shane’s friends at school. It truly has helped Shane and us as a family to try to get the support and services necessary for Shane to live the life he wants to live. I want a healthy happy life for my son where he is given the opportunity to reach his potential and learn skills which will help him in Adulthood. ”

To read Sam’s whole article visit:

www.charltonparkacademy.com/PCP-stories

Quotes from a carer whose child has recently been involved in developing a wiki:

“ For my child it means people understand him better. ”

“ It is much easier for people involved in my child’s care to understand him within a short period of time. You don’t have to read reams of files before you get to know my child. ”

“ It also helped me to find out more about my child’s school life. ”



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“ This technology and empowering process gives control of plans to residential students and means that students can define their own identity, hopes and aspirations.”
(The residential inspection report 2015)

Person-Centred Planning and Rix Wikis at Charlton Park Academy

What is Person-centred Planning?



Person-centred planning (PCP) is a set of approaches designed to assist children and adults to plan their life and supports.

It is most often used as a life planning model to enable individuals with disabilities and those requiring support to increase their ability to express their needs and improve their own independence.

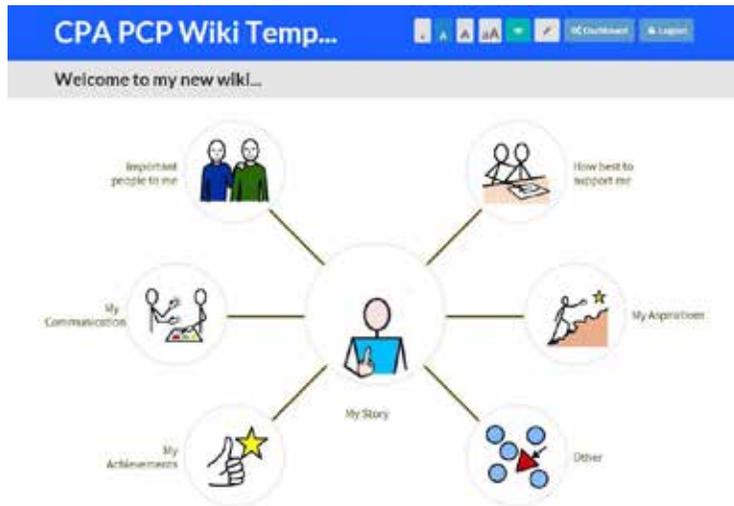
At the academy we combine Person-Centred approaches with an accessible platform (easy build secure website) called Rix Wikis.



What is a Rix Wiki?

A wiki is a person-specific interactive page for the students themselves and everyone involved in their care and education to share information. It is a secure web based tool which can include video, images, text, documents and audio files. These will be life long tools which will eventually be owned by the student and their family. Secure logins are created and only invited individuals via email will be able to access the sites or just particular areas.

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www.rixmedia.org



Our person-centred plan will be shared via a wiki

Our vision - A voice now and for the future

- To empower every student, no matter their abilities, a voice/tool to share their needs, thoughts, abilities, skills, aspirations, hopes and dreams.
- For our students and every person around them to focus on their individual priorities, curriculum and future.
- To use this approach to enable students to bring together family members, friends and key services in order to review progress and plan for the immediate and longer-term goals.
- This term we are developing our person-centred planning further to include the development of individual wiki's for every student in the school.



The wiki offers students the opportunity for self-advocacy and advocacy for non-verbal students using multi-media.

We will be involving all those who are important in the lives of our students which may include family, friends, therapists, medical and respite staff. We aim to train everyone and will invite parents/carers and family in to join and learn together.

Sharing the Wiki

Planning before creating the Rix Wikis is an essential part of the development of the websites but even more valuable is the way in which the Wikis are used and shared by our students.

The Wikis are shared by students as their voice in Annual Review / EHCP meeting and sometimes at coffee mornings and parents evenings. They support multi-disciplinary working across the school and a very accessible way to share how best to support the individual. They enable the students to have a voice and feel proud of their successes and achievements. The wikis are sometimes used within the curriculum as they give an accessible multimedia way of sharing and recapping learning. Every family is given a login so you can share in your child's progress and achievements or even add your own contributions from home.

If you have any questions, concerns or would like further information please contact your child's teacher or Kathryn Stowell, kstowell@charltonparkacademy.co.uk

Some websites for more information:
www.charltonparkacademy.com/PCP-update
www.rixmedia.org