In partnership with The Service Children’s Progression (SCiP) Alliance, Make Happen came together with Take Your Place (neaco) to collaboratively deliver an informative webinar to schools and teaching professionals on the 28th February 2022.

The conference aims included empowering schools to reflect and develop their support for children in Armed Forces families by embedding the use of the SCiP Alliance ‘Thriving Lives Toolkit.’ We were fortunate to have the SCiP Alliance Head of Operations, Kath Lawrence join us to deliver an informative talk on how schools can use the toolkit to help their service children thrive. SCiP Alliance Director, Phil Dent also kindly provided an overview of the purpose of the SCiP Alliance and how it provides enhanced support for service children’s education and progression.

Participants were also given an insight into service children’s lives, where Alexandra Stokes from the RAF Family Federation spoke about some of the challenges and positives of those young people who are part of an Armed Forces family. We were also fortunate to be joined by two current university students who spoke about their experiences of being a service child whilst in education and by Joyce Frankland Academy who delivered their case study on how they’ve used their Service Pupil Premium by creating a Service Children Liaison Officer role to ensure that dedicated support is provided to their service children in school.

For those who were unable to join the event, you can watch the webinar on the Make Happen Academy under teacher resources: https://www.makehappen.org/academy/