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Go prince: good practices in inclusive education in early childhood

# INCLUSIVE EDUCATION in BELGIUM (Flanders)

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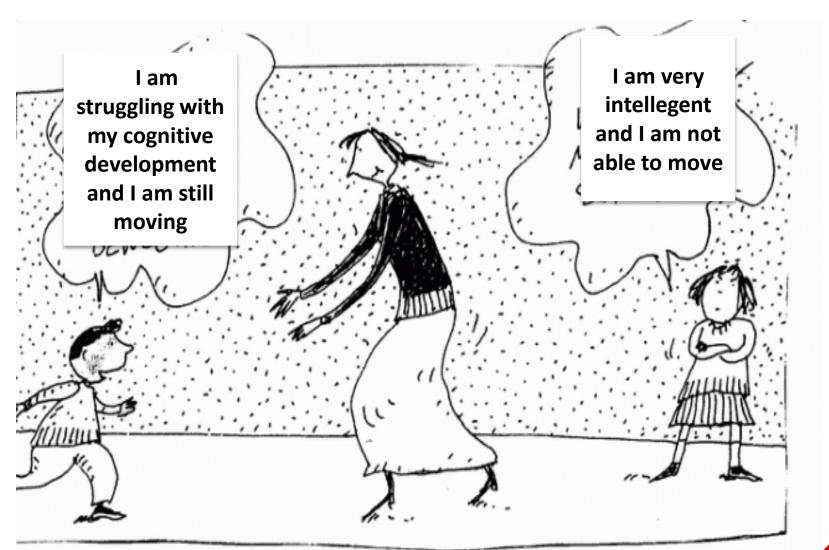




### Who are we and what do we study?



Pre-school (nursery) teachers BACHELOR (3 years study)
Work-Place learning (2 days practice/ 2 days school) and day programme

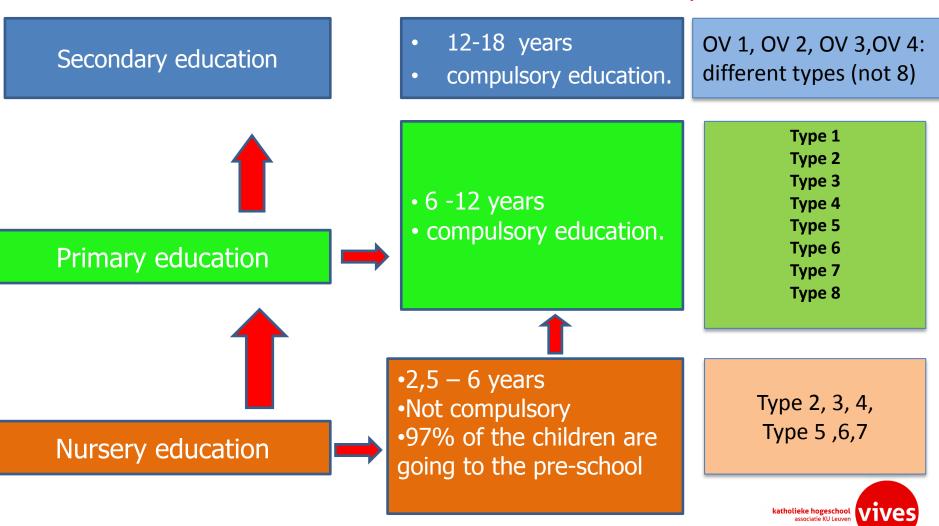




### 1. Inclusive education: our dream

- Every child has the RIGHT to receive qualitative education
- Education has his focus on the development of the person whatever his possibillities or disabilities are, whatever the structure of education whatever the form of education whatever the level of education
- Every parent has the RIGHT to have an equal choice for a meaningful curriculum of his child with his own educational needs

### 2. Inclusive education in Flanders? Structure of education in Flanders mainstream schools special needs schools



## 2. Inclusive education in elementary education in Flanders?

http://data-onderwijs.vlaanderen.be/onderwijsaanbod/default.aspx/bao/buo

MAINSTREAM schools 95%

Nursery education and primary education



**8 TYPES of schools** (special needs education) 5%

- Type 1: for children with a light intellectual disability (NOT in NURSERY SCHOOLS)
- Type 2: for children with a moderate to severe intellectual disability
- Type 3: for children with emotional and behavioural problems who do not have an intellectual disability
- Type 4: for children with physical disabilities and mobility impairments
- Type 5: for children that are hospitalised in a residential setting or a care facility
- Type 6: for children with visual impairment
- Type 7: for children with hearing impairment
- Type 8: for children with learning problems (NOT IN NURSERY SCHOOLS)



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WISH: to keep more children in the mainstream school

GON: integrated education

ION: inclusive education

**USE OF CARE CONTINUUM** 



Take a drive on the right side of the road

### 3. We want more inclusive education in Flanders:

m-decree: 12 march 2014

http://www.ond.vlaanderen.be/specifiekeonderwijsbehoeften/Beleid/M-decreet/default.htm

- Education needs to do reasonable measures to keep as much as possible the children in the mainstream schools (2014).
- Decree for Flemisch equal chances and equal treat policy (2008)
- Government agrees with the UN-convention related to the rights of persons with a handicap (2009)
- M-decree (2014): measure-decree (2014)

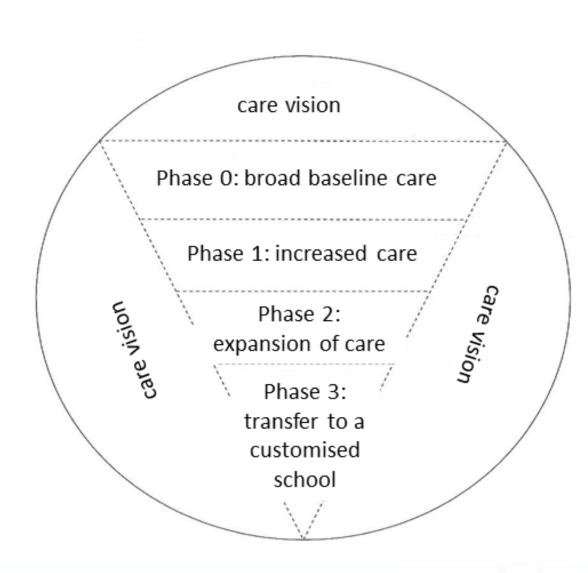
M-decree: M for matter: invest more into broad baseline care, take appropriate measures and make reasonable adaptations

⇒ Concrete changes in special and mainstream education (workshop Joke Maesen)

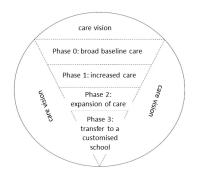


### More inclusive education with the Continuum of Care in the elementary schools

**VISION** on CARE



### Model in the preschool: Continuum of Care: what?



#### A continuum

= a description of the structure of care with which you can build a policy of care for a school



= description of phases of developmental and learning support children can receive at a school

#### **Continuous** and **holistic** approach

- → From M-decree (2014): develop a continuum of care in the school = compulsory
- → What stands out in the vision of care / care policy in your school?

(More information: workshop Ann Delaere)



### m-decree

- Preparations start in January 2015
- Start in practice: 1st of September 2015

#### **EVERBODY CAN PARTICIPATE!**

### **'IEDEREEN TELT MEE'**





### http://www.ond.vlaanderen.be/overzichten/brede kijk.htm

=> Brochure and ppt in English about Flemisch education



FLANDERS: INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

#### WE CARE FOR CARE!

