

Visit to the Education Shop (Opvoedingswinkel)

The Education Shop is situated in the Genk city centre, which makes it easily accessible. The shop is easy to find as it has large windows decorated with luminous posters and information flyers. On arrival, you will be welcomed by someone.



You will find the shop's interior bright and very colourful. The shop offers all kinds of information on the education and raising of children. Thirteen professional assistants, all of whom have a degree in social assistance, psychology or pedagogical sciences, form a multidisciplinary team that can deal with all kinds of questions.

The shop's main objective is to help parents from Genk and surroundings, who come to the shop for guidance and information on the raising of their children. Not only parents, but also professionals who work in the field of education (e.g. teachers) often visit the shop to find answers to their questions.



The Education Shop was founded in 2000 by a partnership of 18 youth care organisations and the local government. Together, they founded the organisation PAS, which stands for Pedagogical Advice and Stimulation.

The organisation PAS has three main objectives:

- Coordinating all the actions in the field of family and education support
 - Informing, advising and assisting parents
- Organising specific tailor-made programmes as an answer to the existing educational needs. Those programmes are implemented in schools and neighbourhoods of Genk.

Considered as being the most valuable asset of PAS, the Education Shop opened at an easily accessible location in Genk. Parents who wish to obtain advice on the education and raising of their children can arrange here an appointment with expert advisors, all for free.