

Early Help Statement

Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School understand the importance of early help for children and families in our community.

We understand that sometimes families may need some extra support. So that we are able to advise you at these times we have an Early Help Offer.

As a school we are able to signpost families to a range of services to support them beyond the educational setting.

What is Early Help?

School-Based Early Help is a voluntary, consent-based support system in place to help our students and their families. The aim is for our students to feel that they have a safe space in school and also feel safe when they return home to allow them to reach their full potential whilst they are part of the Stuart Bathurst Family, both academically and emotionally.

When concerns are raised and Early Help may need to be considered; if agreed to proceed, this will be offered to the family. If the family accept this support, a meeting will be arranged with the Family Support Worker (Mrs Bayley) to begin the Early Help Assessment.

Early Help Assessment

If an Early Help Assessment may benefit the student and their family, a meeting will be arranged between the parents, student and Mrs Bayley (Family Support Worker). During this meeting, this will allow us to gain a better picture of what support is needed for the whole family.

This is NOT a referral, it is an assessment that school complete with the family to talk about what's going well and what's not going well for you and your family.

As stated above, It is your choice to take part in the assessment and you can choose who else should be involved.

The Assessment will always be completed with you in a supportive, positive way.

All families are different but an Early help assessment will:

Identify what is working well for you and what support you need

Create a clear picture of the family's circumstances.

Create a clear plan of support for you and your family.

What happens after the EHA?

With your permission, people from different organisations working with your family will share information and work together to help to support you and your

family. This could be school, mentors, Health, etc and may be followed by a Team around the Family (TAF) meeting.

Why do I need to give permission?

Agencies can't share your information unless you agree, because your information is protected by GDPR.

What is a Team around the family meeting?

The family and any professionals involved will come together to discuss the support you need and create a support plan.

This will be reviewed at regular intervals (usually every 6 weeks) to make sure progress is being made and that you and your family are getting the right support at the right time.

The lead professional will arrange the meetings and will also be available in between meetings if you have any other concerns in between and to offer any further support.

Who can I talk to at school?



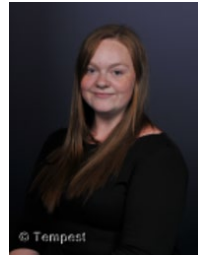
Mrs Richards
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead &
Senior Mental
Health Lead



Mrs Bayley
Family Support
Worker &
Deputy DSL



Mrs Booker
Medical lead
& Deputy
DSL



Miss Dixon
Sixth
Form
Manager
& Deputy
DSL



Mr Walsh
Assistant
Principal &
LAC
Designated
Teacher

How to contact us:

You can contact school on [0121 556 1488](tel:01215561488) and ask to speak to Mrs Richards or a member of the Safeguarding team or, if you prefer, you can email us on admin@stuart-bathurst.org.uk and someone will be in touch.
