



CHURCHDOWN PARTON MANOR SCHOOLS' FEDERATION

OFFER OF EARLY HELP

At Churchdown Parton Manor Schools' Federation, we understand that there may be times that families need extra support and help. To support and guide you through times such as these we have an Offer of Early Help. Early Help is an approach we use, not a specific service but there are many ways in which our approach can support you, so, if ever things are difficult at home please come and talk to us.

What we offer:

Support for pupils which includes:

- Promoting good attendance and punctuality.
- Promoting self-esteem and confidence.
- Promoting positive behaviour and positive attitudes to learning.
- Providing individualised support.
- Promoting personal safety through PSHE lessons.

Support for families which includes:

- Providing information and signposting to other services in the local area.
- Liaising with a range of external services where support may be needed.
- Assistance in completing paperwork and forms e.g. housing, foodbank vouchers, attendance and support at school and other agency meetings.
- Advice and support in promoting positive behaviour at home.

Initiating Early Help

- Identification of a child/ family who may need Early Help – this may be through conversations with children or parents or scrutiny of logged safeguarding incidents.

- The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) will evaluate the needs of the child/ family and decide whether the case meets the threshold for direct advice from or referral to Social Care.
- Discussions between school and the parents to decide the best way to support the child/ family; this may be at home or at school.
- Assistance from external services may be sought to provide high-level support.

Who provides Early Help support in school?

Any member of staff can support children, parents or family members. All staff receive safeguarding training to ensure that advice given is in the best interests of keeping children safe.

We also have a dedicated Inclusion Team which includes our Inclusion Support Worker. Her role is specifically to provide advice and support to children, parents and staff regarding a range of areas including family difficulties, parenting strategies and managing challenging behaviour at home.

She may also work directly with children in school providing support linked to developing self-esteem, managing feelings and dealing with difficult family matters.

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Mr Darren Preece

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL): Mrs Jo Smith

Inclusion Lead: Mrs Caro Cross