



Pennoweth Primary School

Young Carers in School Policy

Reviewed by: Mr R Adams (Headteacher)

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Next Review Date: October 2019

At Pennoweth School, we believe that all children and young people have the right to an education, regardless of what is happening at home.

When a young person looks after someone in their family who has a serious illness, disability or substance misuse problem, he or she may need a little extra support to help them get the most out of school. Our Young Carers Policy says how we will help any pupil who looks after someone at home.

Our school:

- Has a member of staff with special responsibility for young carers and lets all new pupils know who they are and what they can do to help. This person's name and role is:

Hannah Crewdson - SENCO

- Runs a PSHE lesson on the challenges faced by young carers during the year. This person's name and role is:

Sara Delaney - Class Teacher & PSHE Coordinator

- Can put young carers in touch with the Local Carers Service. We can also put families in touch with other support services.
- Is accessible to parents who have mobility and communication difficulties and involves them in parents evenings.
- Respect your right to privacy and will only share information about you and your family with people who need to know to help you.
- Will consider alternatives if a young carer is unable to attend out of school activities such as sports coaching, concerts, performances, detention etc. due to their caring role.
- Allows young carers to telephone home during breaks and lunchtimes.
- Can give advice about how to get their children into school where transport may be a problem.

What other help is available?

There is a copy of the Cornwall's Young Carers Strategy:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/youngcarers

School nurses hold open drop in sessions at all secondary schools and visit primary schools once per term. Find out more at:

www.cornwallfoundationtrust.nhs.uk/ourservices/childrenandyoungpeople/schoolnursingcornwall.asp

The Family Information Service, Healthy Schools and Local Offer can all help:

www.cornwallfisdirectory.org.uk

www.cornwallhealthyschools.org

KYC can put you in touch with the Adult Carers Service or you can contact them below:

www.cornwallrcc@org.uk/cornwallcareservice

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