



All children are eligible for mentoring. If you have any concerns about your child in or out of school and would like to arrange a meeting with me, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you

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Parent Information

Learning Mentor and Family Support

What does a Learning Mentor do?

As the Learning Mentor I work across the school supporting children. I provide 1:1 sessions, group sessions, run activities at lunchtime and can also work with a child in class.

The help I offer is tailored to the needs of each child but this can include:

- Listening to children and discussing anything that is worrying them
- Increasing motivation
- Developing coping strategies and emotions management
- Building resilience
- Encouraging children to do their best in school and setting targets
- Helping to raise a child's confidence and self-esteem
- Developing social skills and helping to manage friendship issues

Another important part of the Learning Mentor role is to provide support and information for the parents. In addition, I have information on a range of issues, agencies and support services and can give parents advice in accessing different services that can offer more specialised support if needed.

What is a Learning Mentor?

Children need happiness and stability to succeed and achieve their goals in school. A Learning Mentor helps to support children to overcome any issues that might be stopping them from engaging with their life and their learning. They work with children to help them realise their potential and raise their achievement, as well as supporting children with social and emotional challenges and being someone that the children can talk to if they need to. Learning Mentors can also support childrens' parents and carers with any issues that are affecting the families at home.

The role of a Learning Mentor?

Children benefit from the opportunity to talk to an adult other than a parent or a teacher. Common reasons for me to work with children include:

- Issues with social skills and friendships
- Low self-esteem and confidence
- Difficulties with behaviour and relationships at home or at school
- Helping children to know and understand boundaries
- Developing appropriate social skills
- Understanding and managing emotions
- Supporting a child through life events and challenges both in and out of school
- Settling in to a new school
- Attendance and punctuality