



## PASTORAL TEAM SUPPORT AT SAXON PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

Navigating family life can be anything but straightforward at times! Sometimes we need to talk things through to help find a way forward.

This is where our Pastoral Team support comes in. We have a Home School Link Worker in all of our Trust schools – all supported by our Pastoral Co-ordinator, Jane Wallace.

If you would like an appointment to meet with your school's Home School Link Worker, Shelly Lumb, please ring her mobile or email the school office who will put you in touch.

### THE HSLW ROLE

**Our aim** is to support you in helping your child overcome potential barriers in their achievement and enable them to achieve their very best at school.

**The HSLW role** is to help you with any worries or concerns you may have about your children or home circumstances. Being a parent/carer is a very rewarding job, but it can also be very challenging. By working together, we can explore the situation with you and identify a way to support you and your family.

We understand the school holidays can sometimes be a challenging time for families, therefore, during the breaks from school, a member of the Trust's Pastoral Team may check in with you and your family via a telephone call to see if any support can be offered.

As parents/carers, we want the best for our children but may worry:

- If our children are not happy at school or home
- If they have friendship difficulties, or are anxious about coming in to school
- If you have problems with your child's behaviour
- If you have difficulties at home, which is affecting your family life





## How The HSLW Can Help



- Giving help and advice when you experience behavioural issues with your children.
- Helping parents/carers to improve attendance and punctuality.
- Helping families who are managing change, such as parental separation or bereavement.
- Signposting - eg; providing information on local services, parenting support courses, benefit entitlements and community activities.
- Completing forms and documentation
- Ensuring children feel happy and secure in their school environment.
- Assisting with difficulties impacting on family life such as illness, domestic abuse, disability and financial difficulties.
- Helping children who are experiencing difficult times or are withdrawn and anxious.



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